



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
WRIT PETITION NO.13340 OF 2025**

Maharashtra Rajya Suraksha Rakshak
and General Kamgar UnionPetitioner

Versus

The State of Maharashtra and Ors.Respondents

Mr. Avinash Belge for the Petitioner.

Mrs. Pooja Joshi Deshpande, AGP for Respondent No.1.

Mr. Amardev J. Uniyal a/w. Advocate B.L. Mangale and
Mr. Shubham Singh for Respondent No.2.

CORAM : RAVINDRA V. GHUGE

&

ASHWIN D. BHOBE, JJ.

DATE : 10th OCTOBER, 2025

P.C. :-

1. **Issue notice to the Respondents**, returnable on 26th November, 2025. The learned AGP waives service of notice on behalf of Respondent No.1. Mr. Uniyal, the learned Advocate also waives service of notice on behalf of Respondent No.2.

2. The learned Advocate for the Petitioner submits that Respondent Nos.3 and 4 have already been intimated that the matter is listed for hearing today. Yet, none appears.



3. The learned Advocate for the Board submits that the registered Security Guards deployed with Respondent Nos.3 and 4, are sought to be removed by treating the Security Guards Board, which is a statutory authority, as if it is a private agency. He points out paragraph no.4 of the communication dated 11th August, 2025, addressed to the Board by Respondent Nos.3 and 4, which reads as under :

4. Now, Management of IITB is of the opinion that keeping the same agency beyond a certain reasonable period of time will amount to favoritism and would be considered as an unfair practice. It is therefore decided to go by the Institute's policy to abide by fair practices and discontinue your services from 10th October 2025.

4. Though the Petitioner security guards deployed by the Board, do not have any right to stick to or continue with only one Registered Employer, such Security Guards mentioned in the list, which is at Exhibit 'A', are sought to be removed today by Respondent Nos.3 and 4, and not by the Board which is responsible for deploying such Security Guards, we are directing Respondent Nos.3 and 4 to continue the said Security Guards as deployed by the Board, until the returnable date in this matter.



5. Let the Respondents file their affidavits in reply, at least, ten days prior to the returnable date.

(ASHWIN D. BHOBE, J.)

(RAVINDRA V. GHUGE, J.)