

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION NO.188 OF 2022

Shrihari S/o Anant Shidore	... Petitioner
Versus	
Commissioner/Administrator	... Respondents

**WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION NO.12742 OF 2025
IN
PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION NO.188 OF 2022**

Manisha Palande	... Petitioner
Versus	
Shrihari Anant Shidore & Ors.	... Respondents

**WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION (ST) NO.35504 OF 2025
IN
PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION NO.188 OF 2022**

V.V.P.R Engineer Pvt Ltd	... Applicant
Versus	
Shailendra S/o Shirhari Shidore	... Respondent

**WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION NO.12740 OF 2025
IN
PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION NO.188 OF 2022**

Shrihari Anant Shidore & Ors.	... Applicants
Versus	
Commissioner/Administrator	... Respondents

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO.2651 OF 2025**

Raju Nanasaheb Chavan	... Petitioner
Versus	
The State Of Maharashtra	... Respondent

**WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION NO.16240 OF 2024**

GVPR Engineers Ltd Through
the Senior Manager Projects,
G. Mahender s/o Sri. G. Somla
Versus
Shrihari S/ Anant Shidore

...Applicant

... Respondent

Mr. Shambhuraje Deshmukh, Amicus Curiae a/w. Mr. Amit Mukhedkar,
Advocates for the Petitioner (Through V.C.).

Mr. A. B. Girase (Through V.C.), Government Pleader a/w. Mr.
O.A.Chandurkar, Addl. GP and Mrs. G. R. Raghuwanshi, AGP for the
Respondent-State.

Mr. Rajendra Deshmukh, Senior Advocate i/by Mr. Vinod Patil & Mr.
Amol Vasmatkar, Advocate for Respondent No.6/MJP.

Mr. S. S. Tope, Advocate for Respondent No.4/Municipal Corporation.

Mr. R. N. Dhorde, Senior Advocate i/by Mr. Sanket N. Suryawanshi,
Advocate for Respondent No.15/Project Contractor.

Mr. Nitin Gaware Patil, Advocate for Respondent Nos.16 & 17 in
PIL/188/2022 & Applicant in IA/12742/2025.

Mr. S.B.Deshpande, Senior Advocate with Mr.Shreyas Deshpande and Mr.
D.P.Madkar i/b. Mr.D.S.Manorkar for the Respondent – NHAI.

Mr. S.S. Koche, Advocate for the Petitioner in WP No. 2651 of 2025.

Mr. Khaleel Ahmed, Sr. G.M., Mr. Manoj Pathak, G.M., Project, Mr.
Mahender G., AGM and Mr. Ashrith Reddy, Asstt. Director present.

**CORAM : RAVINDRA V. GHUGE &
ABHAY MANTRI, JJ.**

DATE : FEBRUARY 18, 2026

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1. The learned Government Pleader Mr. Girase has tendered the Minutes of the Meeting of the High Court Constituted Committee (HCCC) held on 10th February, 2026 (29 pages) along with a covering letter dated 17th February, 2026 addressed to the learned Government Pleader by the Dy. Commissioner, Municipal Administration, Divisional Commissioner's office, Chattrapati Sambhaji Nagar. The said covering letter and the report (1+29 pages) is taken on record and collectively marked as 'X-76' for identification.

2. We have perused the report and have noted the salient features as have been indicated by the Government Pleader, learned Senior Advocates Mr. Dhorde and Mr. Deshmukh and the learned Advocate Mr. Tope, for the Corporation.

3. The learned Senior Advocate Mr. Deshmukh has tendered the additional affidavit on behalf of the Maharashtra Jeewan Pradhikaran (MJP) dated 17th February, 2026 which is filed in the light of the earlier order dated 30th January, 2026. Said affidavit is paginated from 440 to 452.

4. The learned Senior Advocate Mr. Dhorde has tendered Ready

Reference Data Sheets (3 pages) of 'Extra Items Rate List' (EIRL) titled as 'Status as on 16th February, 2026'. The said sheets (3 pages) are taken on record and marked as 'Y-109' for identification. Mr. Deshmukh submits that Y-109 would be considered in the light of the data tendered by the Member Secretary of the MJP vide his additional affidavit filed today and this Court would be apprised about the status of the pending bills and payments, after around 7-10 days.

5. We are listing this PIL on **Friday dated 20th February, 2026 at 3.00 pm** considering the fact that the Municipal Commissioner Mr. G. Shrikant; Mr. Vasant Bhoje, Ex. Engineer (water supply), Mr. Kashinath Phalak, Co-ordinator; Mr. A.B. Deshmukh, Co-ordinator and Mr. M.A. Kazi, Head Tech. Cell of the Corporation, as well as Chief Engineer of MJP along with other officers and the senior authorities of the project contractor, would be carrying out inspection of the project. The inspection is about commencing of the pumping of water from the Jackwell so as to ensure that the internal cleaning of the pipes, which is known as flushing of the pipes, through the 12 scour valves would commence and it would be after such five pumping rounds at different intervals that the entire pipeline would be flushed and cleaned in the coming 30 days so as to be ready for pumping water from the Water Treatment Plan for actual consumption.

6. We appreciate the presence of the Member Secretary Mr. Amgouth Ranga Naik of MJP posted at Mumbai and Ms. Manisha Palande, Chief Engineer, MJP posted at Chatrapati Sambhaji Nagar, for attending the hearing in the Court.

7. Stand over to 20th February, 2026 at 3.00 pm.

(ABHAY MANTRI, J.)

(RAVINDRA V. GHUGE, J.)