



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

APPLICATION (L) NO. 1188 OF 2026
IN
ELECTION PETITION NO. 32 OF 2025

The Returning Officer ... Applicant.

In the matter between:

Ramesh Anandrao Bagwe ... Petitioner.

Versus

Sunil Dnyandev Kamble and Ors. ... Respondents.

Mr Tejas Deshmukh with Mr Onkar V. Somvanshi for Applicant in AEP(L) 1188/2026 and for Respondent Nos.2 to 6.

Ms Rachana Harpale i/by Nitin P. Deshpande for the Petitioner.

Mr Balkrishna Joshi i/by Virendra Pethe for Applicant in AEP(L)/17071/2025 and for original Respondent No.1

Coram : Sharmila U. Deshmukh, J.

Date : February 12, 2026

P.C.:

1. Interim Application has been preferred seeking release of the EVM, the Ballot Units and the Control Units which are kept in the custody of District Election Officer. The Interim Application also seeks deletion of the Respondent Nos.2 to 6 as party Respondents from the present Election Petition.

2. Insofar as the release of the EVMs consisting of 548 Ballot Units and 247 Control Units are concerned, the EVMs are not the subject of the original election petition which has been filed alleging corrupt



practice under Section 123 (7) of the Representation of the People Act, 1951. In view thereof, Interim Application insofar as prayer Clauses (a) and (b) of the application is concerned, the same is allowed. Insofar as the prayer clause (c) is concerned, an affidavit to be filed within a period of one week from today.

[Sharmila U. Deshmukh, J.]