

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

WRIT PETITION NO. 1764 OF 2021

Umar Abdul Gani & Ors

....Petitioners

V/s.

Collector of Mumbai City District & Ors

....Respondents

WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION (I) NO.29291 OF 2021

Mr. Zal Andhyarujina, Senior Advocate a/w Mr. Kunal Dwarkadas, Mr. Punit Damodar and Ms Raveena Kinkhabwala i/b Kanga & Co. for Petitioners.

Mr. Sukanta Karmarkar, AGP for Respondent Nos.1 to 4.

Mr. Madhur Rai a/w Mr. Sachin Kanse i/b PRS Legal for Respondent Nos.5 to 7.

Mr. Sanjiv Punalkar i/b Ms Jyoti Ghorpade for Respondent No.8.

Mr. Akshay Sawant a/w Ms Vaishnavi Mandlekar i/b I. V. Merchant & Co. for Respondent Nos.9 to 14.

Mr. Virendra Ichalkaranjekar i/b Yashas Legal for Applicant in IAL/29291/2021.

**CORAM : K. R. SHRIRAM &
NEELA GOKHALE, JJ.
DATED : 1st NOVEMBER 2023**

PC. :

1 Mr. Andhyarujina states that there has been some progress in the mediation talks. But it would help the mediation if, Mr. Avasekar responded more promptly. The mediator has expressed repeatedly that the presence of Mr. Avasekar would help to put an end to the matter. Mr. Rai states he has some medical problem because of which, he cannot attend in person the

mediation meetings. With the available technology that can be never an excuse. The courts are also holding hybrid hearings.

Therefore, on the next date, which will be before 10th November 2023, Mr. Avasekar shall remain present, if not in person, through video conferencing, before the mediator so that meaningful discussion happens before the mediator.

- 2 Stand over to 8th December 2023 for direction.
- 3 Order of status-quo to continue until further orders.

(NEELA GOKHALE, J.)

(K. R. SHRIRAM, J.)