

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

WRIT PETITION NO. 1367 OF 2021

Dr. Mrs. Vatsala Shoukla ... Petitioner
Versus
The State of Maharashtra and Ors. ... Respondents

Mr. Dilip Bodke a/w Mr. Sharad T. Bhosale for the Petitioner.
Mr. Kedar Dighe, AGP for the State-Respondent No.1.
Mr. Sarang Fulbandhe for the Respondent Nos. 2 and 3.
Mr. Rui Rodrigues a/w Ms. Krushi Shah for the Respondent No.4-
U.G.C.

**CORAM: R. D. DHANUKA AND
R. I. CHAGLA, JJ.**

**DATE : 9th JULY, 2021.
(Through Video Conference)**

P.C. :-

. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner states that his client has an apprehension that the respondent nos. 2 and 3 will take coercive action against the petitioner on account of the petitioner having filed present writ petition. Statement is accepted. The respondent nos. 2 to 4 are directed to file their affidavits-in-reply within a period of three weeks from the date of this order and shall serve a copy thereof upon the petitioner's advocate simultaneously. Rejoinder, if any shall be filed within a period of one week thereafter with a copy to be served upon the respondents' advocate simultaneously.

2. Till next date, the respondent nos. 2 and 3 shall not take any coercive action against the petitioner and shall not terminate the services of the petitioner.

2. The respondent nos. 2 and 3 are directed to clear the backlog of the salary of the petitioner on or before the next date without fail.
3. Writ Petition is accordingly adjourned to 13th August, 2021.

[R. I. CHAGLA, J.]

[R. D. DHANUKA, J.]