

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

WRIT PETITION (L) NO. 18100 OF 2026

Girish Dhanraj Parakh ... Petitioner
Vs.
Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce,
Industry and Agriculture (MACCIA) ... Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION (L) NO.18483 OF 2026**

Kantilal Shantilal Chopda ... Petitioner
Vs.
Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce,
Industry and Agriculture ... Respondents

**WITH
WRIT PETITION (L) NO. 18485 OF 2026**

Ramakant Narayan Malu ... Petitioner
Vs.
Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce,
Industry and Agriculture ... Respondents

**WITH
WRIT PETITION (L) NO.18508 OF 2026**

Sanjay S. Rathi ... Petitioner
Vs.
Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce,
Industry and Agriculture ... Respondents

**WITH
WRIT PETITION (L) NO. 18517 OF 2026**

Dilip Satyanarayan Gupta ... Petitioner
Vs.
Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce,
Industry and Agriculture (MACCIA) ... Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION (L) NO. 18520 OF 2026**

Hemant Gulabchand Kankriya ... Petitioner

Vs.
Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce,
Industry and Agriculture (MACCIA) ... Respondent

**WITH
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
CIVIL WRIT PETITION NO. 6929 OF 2026**

Mahesh Pandurang Samant ... Petitioner
Vs.
Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce,
Industry and Agriculture and Ors. ... Respondents

Ms. Neeta Karnik, Sr. Advocate a/w. Mr. Suraj Chakor, Mr. Sangharsh Waghmare, Ms. Jagruti Nimbalkar, Mr. Himanshu Patil for the Petitioners in WPST/18483/2026 and in WPL/18100/2026 and in WPL/18485/2026.
Mr. Pratik Kothari for the Petitioner in WPL/18517/2026.
Mr. Nishant Chotala i/b. Mr. Pratik Kothari for the Petitioner in WPL/18508/2026.
Mr. Akshay Pawar for the Petitioners in WPST/18520/2026.
Mr. Sukand Kulkarni for the Petitioners in WP/6929/2026.
Mr. Girish Godbole, Sr. Advocate (through VC) i/b. Mr. Odhekar for Respondent No.1.
Mr. Rakesh Pathak, AGP for Respondent Nos.3 and 4 – State in WPL/18100/2026.
Ms. Fatima Lakdawala, AGP for the Respondent – State in WPL/18520/2026 and in WPL/18517/2026.

**CORAM : SHYAM C. CHANDAK AND
SHREERAM V. SHIRSAT, JJ.**

**DATED : 29th MAY, 2026
(VACATION COURT)**

P.C. :-

- 1) Heard learned Counsel for the respective parties.
- 2) Issue notice to the Respondents, returnable on 9th June, 2026.
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- 3) Mr. Odhekar, learned counsel waives notice on behalf of the

Respondent – MACCIA and Mr. Pathak and Ms. Lakdawala, learned AGPs waives notice on behalf of the Respondent – State. Petitioners to provide copy of the Petitions to the Registry.

4) Except Writ Petition (L) No.18100 of 2026, the other Writ Petitions are not on board. There is an agreement that said other Writ Petitions are connected to the aforesaid Writ Petition. Hence, production is allowed.

5) Heard learned Counsel appearing for the respective parties not only on the point of maintainability of the Writ Petition No. 18100 of 2026 but also on the point of interim relief.

6) After hearing the parties for a considerable time, the learned Counsel for the parties stated that they are at agreement that let the election of the Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture in question are subject to the orders passed in the aforesaid Writ Petitions.

7) During hearing, it transpired that about 60 Appeals have been filed by different members of MCCA challenging the different alleged arbitrary action of MACCIA/Returning Officer. Ms. Karnik, the learned Senior Counsel submitted that the said Appeals are required to be heard and disposed of in a time bound manner as specified in the Constitution and the by-laws of the MACCIA. Mr. Godbole, the learned Senior Counsel for the MACCIA made a statement that all the said Appeals will be dealt with, heard and decided by the Election Grievance Committee in accordance with the applicable Constitution, rules, regulations and by-laws. Said statement

is accepted as an undertaking to the Court.

8) In view thereof, following direction is passed :-

(a) The subject matter elections and the result thereof shall be subject to the Orders passed in this Writ Petition.

(b) All the above referred Appeals shall be decided by the Election Grievance Committee in accordance with the applicable Constitution, rules, regulations and by-laws.

9) All contentions of the parties are kept open including the question of maintainability of the Petition/s.

(SHREERAM V. SHIRSAT, J.)

(SHYAM C. CHANDAK, J.)

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