

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

**WRIT PETITION (L) NO. 26468 OF 2025**

Mangesh Bapu Nikam ...Petitioner  
Versus  
The State of Maharashtra  
Thr. The Principal Secretary & Ors. ...Respondents

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Ms. Mohini Rehpade a/w Deepesh Ramrakhiani, Vijay Singh and Daksha P.  
i/by Desai Legal for the Petitioner.  
Mr. Mohit Jadhav, Addl.GP for Respondent No.1.  
Mr. Rui Rodrigues for Respondent Nos.2 & 3.  
Mr. Sameer Sawant for Respondent Nos.4 & 5.  
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**CORAM : R. I. CHAGLA AND  
ADVAIT M. SETHNA, JJ.**

**DATED : 17<sup>th</sup> APRIL, 2026**

**PC.:-**

1. Mr. Rodrigues, learned counsel for Respondent Nos.2 and 3 and Mr. Sawant, learned counsel for Respondent Nos.4 and 5 have sought time to file their affidavits-in-reply to the Petition. The same shall be filed within a period of one week from today.
2. Place the Writ Petition for further consideration on **28 April 2026** at the bottom of Supplementary Board.

**[ADVAIT M. SETHNA, J.]**

**[R.I. CHAGLA, J.]**