



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
BENCH AT AURANGABAD**

26 WRIT PETITION NO. 1470 OF 2017

SHANKAR PUNJU BHIL AND ANOTHER
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA AND OTHERS

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Ms Manisha R. Patil and Mr M. L. Dharashive, Advocates for
petitioners

Ms R. P. Gour, AGP for Respondent Nos.1 to 3 & 5/State

Mr R. D. Sanap, Advocate for Respondent No.4

Mr S. B. Yawalkar, Advocate h/f Mr A. S. Sawant, Advocate for
Respondent Nos.6 & 7

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**CORAM : KISHORE C. SANT
AND
SUSHIL M. GHODESWAR, JJ.**

DATE : 08th APRIL 2026

PER COURT :-

1. After hearing for some time to the learned Advocate for the petitioners, this Court shown inclination to allow the petition only to the extent of issuing directions to the authorities to decide representation filed by the petitioner under the provisions of the Maharashtra Restoration of Land to Scheduled Tribes Act, 1974.

2. Petitioner's further prayer is not to allow the respondent to withdraw the amount of compensation towards acquisition of the land.

(2)

This prayer is heavily opposed by the opponents. It is submitted that there have been multiple transactions of the land and the individuals entitled to compensation. The petitioner is also not belong to the Scheduled Tribe category and unless he establishes his tribe and linkage with the original owner of the land, he would not be entitled to get any compensation.

3. It is submitted by Mr Yawalkar that unnecessarily there would be dispute on the lands of the respondent to receive compensation.

4. On this, learned Advocate Mr Dharashive for the petitioner requests for time.

5. At his request, stand over to 15/04/2026 for taking instructions.

6. Place this petition in the urgent category.

[SUSHIL M. GHODESWAR, J.]

[KISHORE C. SANT, J.]

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