

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

925 WRIT PETITION NO. 2913 OF 2026

**PADMAKAR MASHNAJI CHALLAWAD AND OTHERS
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA AND OTHERS**

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Advocate for the Petitioner : Mr. Sagar S Phatale
AGP for Respondent/State: Mr. P. S. Patil

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**CORAM : SANDIPKUMAR C. MORE AND
ABASAHEB D. SHINDE, JJ.
DATED : MARCH 18, 2026**

ORDER:-

1. Heard.
2. Issue notice to the respondents, returnable on 15.04.2026. The learned A.G.P. waives service of notice for respondent Nos. 1 and 2.
3. In the meanwhile, respondent No.3/ Employer shall not take any coercive action against the petitioner solely on the ground that the caste claim of the petitioner is invalidated, subject to petitioner filing an undertaking within a period of 15 days before this Court as well as before the Employer/s that pending this petition, the petitioner will not claim any service benefits such as promotion, increment, pay fixation and confirmation etc.

**(ABASAHEB D. SHINDE)
JUDGE**

**(SANDIPKUMAR C. MORE)
JUDGE**