



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY  
BENCH AT AURANGABAD

WRIT PETITION NO. 4922 OF 2026

SHANKAR BHIMRAO MUTKE  
VERSUS  
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA THR ITS SECRETARY AND ORS

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Advocate for the Petitioner : Mr. Phatale Sagar S  
AGP for Respondents: Ms. A.S. Deshmukh

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**CORAM** : **SANDIPKUMAR C. MORE &  
ABASAHEB D. SHINDE, JJ.**

**DATE** : **04.05.2026**

**PER COURT (ABASAHEB D. SHINDE, J.) :**

1. Heard.
2. Issue notice to the respondents, returnable on 29.06.2026. 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 that pending this petition,

the petitioner will not claim any service benefits such as promotion, increment, pay fixation and confirmation etc.

4. List this petition along with Writ Petition No.4920/2026.

**(ABASAHEB D. SHINDE, J.)**

**(SANDIPKUMAR C. MORE, J.)**

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