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

SUO MOTO PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION NO.1 OF 2018

THE REGISTRAR (JUDICIAL), HIGH COURT OF
JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY, BENCH AT AURANGABAD
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA AND OTHERS.

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Advocate Ms.Rashmi S. Kulkarni, Amicus Curaie.
Shri P.K. Lakhotiya, AGP for Respondents 1 to 7.
Shri Omkar S. Shendkar a/w Shri Aditya Choudhari i/by Shri
Dilip Bankar Patil, Advocates for Respondent 8.
Shri B.B. Kulkarni, Standing Counsel for Respondent 11/UoI.

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**CORAM : RAVINDRA V. GHUGE
&
R.M. JOSHI, JJ.**

DATE :- 01st March, 2024

Per Court :-

1. Leave to add the Union of India through Human Resource Ministry, School Education Department, New Delhi, as Respondent No.11. Addition be carried out forthwith.
2. **Issue notice** to the added Respondent No.11. The learned Standing Counsel Shri Kulkarni waives service of notice on behalf of Respondent No.11.
3. We expect the learned Standing Counsel for the Union of India and the learned AGP to place before us on the

next date, the data as regards the financial contribution of the Union of India and the State of Maharashtra, considering the provisions of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009.

4. Considering the requests from the learned Principal District Judges of Judicial District Ahmednagar and Judicial District Satara, we are granting time for submission of their reports upto 15.03.2024 keeping in view that the requests have come from these two districts in the second and third weeks of January, 2024.

5. Insofar as the issue flagged by the learned Amicus Curiae with regard to unholy acts (drug activities, bootlegging, etc.) in some of the schools in Dharashiv and Beed districts, we direct the learned AGP to call upon the concerned District Superintendents of Police and seek a report as regards the action taken with regard to such unholy acts as are mentioned in the reports submitted by the learned Principal District Judges of Dharashiv and Beed.

6. For the purpose of considering the said reports of the District Superintendents of Police, **list this matter on 21.03.2024.**

7. In the meanwhile, we expect from the learned

Principal District Judges of the concerned Judicial Districts, who have generated interim reports, to submit their final reports by 21.03.2024.

kps (R.M. JOSHI, J.)

(RAVINDRA V. GHUGE, J.)