



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
NAGPUR BENCH AT NAGPUR

WRIT PETITION NO.1370 OF 2026

LAKHVINDARSINGH S/O SINGARSHIGH MALLI AND OTHERS
VERSUS
 DIVISIONAL JOINT REGISTRAR, CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES, NAGPUR
 AND OTHERS

Office Notes, Office Memoranda of Coram, Appearances, Court's orders or directions and Registrar's orders	Court's or Judge's orders
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Mr. PD. Meghe, Advocate for Petitioners.
 Ms. K.H. Bhondge, AGP for Respondent Nos.1 & 2-State.

CORAM : PRAFULLA S. KHUBALKAR, J.

DATED : 12th FEBRUARY 2026

1. Heard learned Advocate for the petitioners.

2. The petitioners' contention is despite submission of the election expenses in accordance with Rule 67 of the Maharashtra Co-operative Societies (Election of Committee) Rules 2014, in the month of November 2023 itself, by all the petitioners, wrong inferences are drawn by respondent No.2 about failure to submit election expenses and on that count only, the impugned order under Rule 66 of the Rules 2014 is passed, thereby disqualifying the petitioners for a period of three years.

3. Learned Advocate for the petitioners submits that all the documents showing submission of election expenses along with affidavits were placed on record, which are apparently ignored by respondent No.2 and the impugned order is passed.

4. In view of this, issue notice to the respondents, returnable after four weeks.
5. Learned AGP waives service of notice on behalf of respondent Nos.1 and 2-State.
6. The petitioners are permitted to serve the other respondents by private mode, in addition to regular mode of service and file affidavit of service in that regard by next date.
7. In the meantime, the impugned order dated 19.01.2026, passed by respondent No.2 shall remain stayed.

(PRAFULLA S. KHUBALKAR, J.)

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