

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

**Writ Petition No.2832 of 2018**

*Smt. Veenatai w/o Vishweshwar Bhagat*  
vs.

*The State of Maharashtra, through its Secretary, Department of Minor Irrigation,  
Mumbai and others*

-----  
*Office notes, Office Memoranda of  
Coram, appearances, Court's orders  
or directions and Registrar's orders.*

*Court's or Judge's Orders*

-----  
*Mr. R.M. Pande, Advocate for the Petitioner.  
Mr. S.A. Ashirgade, A.G.P. for Respondent Nos.1 to 3 & 5.  
Mr. K.P. Mahalle, Advocate for Respondent No.4.*

**CORAM** : **ANIL L. PANSARE & NIVEDITA P. MEHTA, JJ.**  
**DATE** : **9<sup>th</sup> MARCH, 2026.**

On 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2018, the following order was passed:

*"Heard.*

*The grievance of the petitioner is that though  
the award was passed on 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2010, possession of the  
acquired land was not taken and the respondents are now  
trying to dispossess the petitioner.*

*Shri V.G. Palshikar, learned Advocate appearing  
for the respondent No.4 (Acquiring Body) and Shri S.B.  
Bissa, learned. Assistant Government Pleader appearing for  
respondent Nos.1 to 3 and 5 have not been able to point out  
any document to show that possession of the acquired land is  
taken from the petitioner.*

*The learned Advocates for the respondents seek  
time to file reply*

*By interim order, the possession of the  
petitioner over the land in question is protected and the  
respondents are restrained from interfering with her  
possession until further orders.*

*List the petition for further consideration on 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2018.”*

02. As could be seen, the petitioner had taken a categorical stand that though the award was passed on 15/06/2010, possession of the acquired land had not been taken. The Court observed that the respondents failed to show any document of taking possession of the acquired land. Accordingly, the interim relief was granted.

03. The learned Counsel for respondent No.4 submits that the possession was taken on 20/12/2015.

04. Thus, it is suggested that the petitioner had made a false statement.

05. The learned Counsel for respondent No.4 seeks time to take instructions as regards the present status.

06. List the matter on 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2026.

**(Nivedita P. Mehta, J.)**

**(Anil L. Pansare, J.)**

*\*sandesh*