



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

WRIT PETITION NO.3844 OF 2026

Smt Vedshree Mandaogane and others

.Vs.

The Union of India and others

Office Notes, Office Memoranda of Coram,
 appearances, Court's orders of directions
 and Registrar's Orders.

Court's or Judge's orders.

Shri Adwait Manohar, Adv. With Shri A. A. Choube, Advocate for the petitioner/s
 Shri Kartik Shukul, DSGI with Smt Mugdha Chandurkar, Advocate for respondent No. 1
 Shri H. D. Marathe, AGP for respondent Nos. 2, 4 and 5/State

CORAM : ANIL S. KILOR AND RAJ D. WAKODE, JJ.
DATED : 05th MAY, 2026.

Heard.

2. In similar Writ Petition No.3004/2026 (*The Sikh Education Society, Bezon Bagh, Nagpur and ors. vs. Union of India and ors.*) the co-ordinate Bench had granted interim relief. In the said order, paragraph 7 is relevant which reads thus :

*“ 7. Further, learned counsel for the petitioners has referred to the judgment of this Court in the case of **Gokul Shrirang Mundhe and ors. vs. State of Maharashtra and ors. (2017 SCC OnLine Bomb 10083)** and judgment of Gujarat High Court in **R/Letters Patent Appeal No.244/2019 in R/Special Civil Application No.5335/2010 dated 05/02/2019**, to contend that issue involved is covered wherein the High Courts have clarified that under the requisitioned staff for the purpose of taking census, the staff of private*

aided/unaided colleges is excluded. The petitioners herein are teachers and staff working in private unaided college.”

3. The above referred writ petition was disposed of subsequently on the ground that the communication in the said writ petition was withdrawn by the respondent-Authorities.

4. The fact remains that precedent was followed and referred to in the said order.

5. This Court vide order dated 30/04/2026 in Writ Petition No.3636/2026 (*Lokmanya Tilak Jankalyan Shikshan Sanshta, Laxmi Nagar, Nagpur vs. Union of India and ors.*) has dealt with similar issue and granted *ad interim* relief in favour of the petitioners in that matter.

6. In the circumstances, issue notice to the respondents, returnable on **29/06/2026**.

7. Shri Kartik Shukul, learned Deputy Solicitor General of India waives service of notice on behalf of respondent No.1.

8. Shri H. D. Marathe, learned Assistant Government Pleader waives service of notice on behalf of respondent Nos.2, 4 and 5.

9. Petitioner (s) is/are permitted to serve the remaining respondent(s) by private mode of service, in addition to regular mode of service and shall file an affidavit of service by next date, failing which the petitioner (s) shall deposit costs of Rupees Five Hundred with the Public Welfare Account maintained with Union Bank of India, High Court Branch, Civil Lines, Nagpur, bearing Account No. 129712010001014 and IFSC Code No. UBIN0812978.

10. In the meantime, there shall be stay to the communications dated 28/04/2026 issued by respondent No.5-The Assistant Commissioner to the petitioners.

11. Office objections(s), if any, shall be removed before the next date.

12. Authenticated copy of the order be supplied to the counsel for the parties.

[RAJ D. WAKODE, J]

[ANIL S. KILOR, J.]

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