



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

**WRIT PETITION NO.4530 OF 2026**

SHRIKANT JAGESHWAR PATIL AND OTHERS  
*VERSUS*  
VITTHAL SHIVRAM LONKAR AND ANOTHER

<i>Office Notes, Office Memoranda of Coram, Appearances, Court's orders or directions and Registrar's orders</i>	<i>Court's or Judge's orders</i>
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Mr. S.S. Deshpande, Advocate for Petitioners.  
Mr. J.Y. Ghurde, AGP for Respondent No.2-State.

**CORAM : PRAFULLA S. KHUBALKAR, J.**

**DATED : 05<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2026**

1. Heard learned Advocate for the petitioners.
2. The petitioners' challenge is to an order dated 18.05.2026, passed by respondent No.2 Additional Collector, Wardha, in the proceedings under Bombay Tenancy and Agricultural Lands (Vidarbha Region) Act, 1958.
3. Learned Advocate for the petitioners submits that although a revision application is filed before the Maharashtra Revenue Tribunal, one of the Presiding Officer has not yet joined the office and hence, the revision application was not taken up for hearing. He submits that the petitioners are in cultivating possession of the agricultural land since more than 35 years and the petitioners apprehend disturbance to their possession. He, therefore, prays for interim relief to protect the petitioners' possession.
4. In view of the controversy involved, issue notice to the respondents, returnable on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2026.

5. Learned AGP waives service of notice on behalf of respondent No.2-State.

6. The petitioners are permitted to serve the remaining 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, parties are directed to maintain status as regards the possession of the petitioners over the agricultural land.

**(PRAFULLA S. KHUBALKAR, J.)**

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