



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

WRIT PETITION (WP) NO. 4752 of 2026

Umesh S/o Manohar Thaware

Versus

District Caste Certificate Scrutiny Committee through Member Secretary and
another

Office Notes, Office Memoranda of
Coram, appearances, Court's Orders
or directions and Registrar's order

Court's or Judge's Order

Shri S.R.Narnaware, Advocate for the petitioner.

Shri S.S.Hulke, AGP for the respondent no.1/State.

**CORAM : URMILA JOSHI-PHALKE &
NIVEDITA P. MEHTA, JJ.**

DATED : 19th JUNE, 2026.

Issue notice to the respondents.

2. Shri Hulke, learned Assistant Government Pleader, waives service of notice on behalf of respondent No.1 – State.

3. The petitioner is permitted to serve notice upon respondent No.2 by all permissible modes of service, including Court notice.

4. It is the contention of the petitioner that his real brother was granted a caste validity certificate on 09.10.2012 by the Caste Scrutiny Committee, Nagpur. Learned Assistant Government Pleader, does not dispute the aforesaid factual position.

5. The legal position stands settled by this Court in *Apoorva D/o Vinay Nichale Vs. Divisional Caste Certificate Scrutiny Committee, Nagpur*, reported in 2010(6) Mah. L.J. 401, wherein it has been held that when a validity certificate

has been granted to a close blood relative, the Scrutiny Committee cannot disregard or ignore the same without recording legally sustainable reasons.

6. *Prima facie*, having regard to the aforesaid undisputed factual position and the law laid down by this Court, the petitioner has made out a case for grant of ad-interim protection. Accordingly, there shall be ad-interim relief in terms of prayer clause (iii) until the next date of hearing.

7. Stand over to **16.07.2026**.

[JUDGE]

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