



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIRCUIT BENCH AT KOLHAPUR
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

WRIT PETITION NO. 799 OF 2026

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Vilas Mahadev Sutar and another

.. Petitioners

..Versus..

The Union of India and others

.. Respondents

Mr. Mohan Jaykar, Advocate a/w Mr. Akshay A. Kulkarni, Advocate for
Petitioners.

Mr. Vijay Killedar, Advocate a/w Mr. Rahul Rote, Advocate for Respondent
No.1 (Union of India)

Mr. Vardhaman V. Kadam, Advocate on behalf of Mr. Sagar Varma (through
VC) for Respondent No.2.

Mr. Siddheshwar B. Kalel, AGP for Respondent No.3-State.

**CORAM : MADHAV J. JAMDAR AND
PRAVIN S. PATIL, JJ.**

DATE : MARCH 30, 2026.

P.C.

1. Learned AGP tenders affidavit-in-reply of respondent no.3 dated 25.3.2026.
2. Mr. Jaykar, learned counsel appearing for the petitioner, seeks leave to amend the petition. Leave to amend, as prayed, is granted. Amendment to be carried out forthwith. Re-verification is dispensed with.
3. In view of the contentions raised in affidavit-in-reply, Mr. Jaykar, learned counsel also seeks leave to file affidavit-in-rejoinder.
4. Time to file affidavit-in-rejoinder is granted for one week.
5. Stand over to 7.4.2026 at 2.30 PM.

(PRAVIN S. PATIL, J.)

(MADHAV J. JAMDAR, J.)