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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO. 11716 OF 2026

People's Education Society & Ors.,

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Maharashtra & Ors.,

...Respondents

Mr. Prashant Malik for the Petitioners.

Ms. Kavita N. Solunke, Addl. GP a/w Mr. P.G. Sawant, AGP for
Respondent – State.

Mr. Prasad L. Gajbhiye a/w Mr. Jayvrat Sakhare & Rutuja Joshi for
Respondent No.4 – BCI.

Mr. Nikhil Chavan for Respondent No.5 – CET Cell.

CORAM : R.I. CHAGLA AND
FIRDOSH P. POONIWALLA, JJ.

DATE : 8th SEPTEMBER, 2026.

ORDER :

1. Mr. Gajbhiye, learned Counsel appearing for Respondent No. 4 - Bar Council of India (BCI), pursuant to service effected by the Petitioner, as directed by Order dated 7th September 2026, states that the Petitioners are required to submit the proposal along with requisite documents for their approval on the portal of Respondent No. 4 - BCI, which is open till 15th September 2026 and upon payment of requisite late fees.

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2. Mr. Prashant Malik, learned Counsel appearing for the Petitioner states that the proposal along with the requisite documents and payment of requisite late fees shall be made by tomorrow, viz. 9th September 2026.

3. In the event the proposal along with requisite documents and late fees are paid, and they are found in order, BCI shall grant necessary approval on or before 10th September 2026.

4. Upon such approval being granted, the Petitioner's law College shall forthwith upload such approval on their online login IDs for obtaining the college approval, and the Directorate of Higher Education, Pune (DHE) shall immediately verify the same and grant its approval on or before 11th September 2026.

5. In that event, on or before 11th September 2026, the DHE shall also include the name of the Petitioner law college along with its latest approved intake capacity in its "Approved List", so that the State CET Cell can fetch the updated data on the official portal.

6. Needless to state that, the State CET Cell shall act upon this order in the event the Petitioner complies with the same.

7. The Writ Petition is accordingly disposed of in these terms.

[FIRDOSH P. POONIWALLA, J.]

[R.I. CHAGLA, J.]