

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
WRIT PETITION NO. 11304 OF 2026
WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 13419 OF 2025**

Pankaj Anil Patil ... Petitioner
vs.
The State of Maharashtra,
Through Public Works Department and others ... Respondents

Mr. Kishor Patil a/w. Mr. Kundan Singh, Mr. Vinay Chavan and
Ms. Darshana Damle, i/b. Mr. Dilip Shinde for petitioner.

Ms. Tanu N. Bhatia, AGP for respondent Nos.1 to 6 – State authorities.

Mr. Aman Choudhary (through VC) a/w. Ms. Dhruvi Patni for respondent
No.7.

**CORAM : MANISH PITALE &
SHREERAM V. SHIRSAT, JJ
DATE : 30th SEPTEMBER, 2026**

P.C. :

Writ Petition No.11304 of 2026:

. During the course of arguments, we find that it would be necessary for the respondent Nos.1 to 6 – State authorities as well as respondent No.7 – National High Speed Rail Corporation to place affidavits on record on the issue pertaining to the extent of the property of the petitioner required, if at all, for the purposes of High Speed Rail Project connecting Mumbai and Ahmedabad.

2. The petitioner asserts that the project will adversely affect the subject property and therefore, its acquisition is necessary. Reliance is placed on copy of survey report and also on draft consent award placed on record with the writ petition.

3. It is alleged that when the petitioner could not satisfy respondent No.2 – competent authority, suddenly the approach changed and the respondent No.7 – corporation was approached for a re-look at the proposal of acquisition, leading to a situation where the corporation indicated that only 1% of the structure of the petitioner would be affected.

4. In such a situation, we find that the respondents must place their reply affidavits on record, so that the issues raised in the writ petition can be decided at the earliest.

5. Issue notice, returnable on 27.10.2026 immediately after the fresh matters. The learned AGP waives notice on behalf of respondent Nos.1 to 6. Mr. Choudhary, learned counsel waives notice on behalf of respondent No.7. Hence, service is complete.

6. Respondents shall file their reply affidavits on or before 22.10.2026. Rejoinder affidavit, if any, shall be filed on or before the next date of listing.

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7. The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner, on instructions, seeks permission to withdraw the petition.

8. Hence, the writ petition is disposed of as withdrawn. Pending applications, if any, also stand disposed of.

(SHREERAM V. SHIRSAT, J.)

(MANISH PITALE, J.)