

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION (L) NO. 25898 OF 2025

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Shree Kalyanvardha K Swetambar	} } }	
Murtipujak Tapagach HA Jain Sangh	}	
Trust	}	Petitioner
versus		
The State of Maharashtra & Ors.	}	Respondents
WITH		
PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION (L)	NO.	25899 OF 2025
Sheth Motishaw Lalbaug Jain Charitie versus	s}	Petitioner
State of Maharashtra & Ors.	}	Respondents
WITH		
PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION (L)	NO.	25905 OF 2025
Sheth Bherulalji Kanaiyalalji Kothari versus	}	Petitioner
State of Maharashtra & Ors.	}	Respondents
WITH		
PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION (L)	NO.	25906 OF 2025
Shree Tapagachha Uday Kalyan Jain versus	}	Petitioner

Mr. Suresh Sabrad with Mr. Shreyash Shah, Mr. Pratik Sabrad, Mr. Udayan Mukherjee & Ms. Eshwaree Kudalkar for petitioner in PILL/25898/2025.

The State of Maharashtra & Anr.

Mr. Shreyash Shah with Ms. Namrata Vinod and Mr.Udyan Mukherjee for petitioner in PILL/25899/2025.

Dr. Abhinav Chandrachud with Mr.Shreyash Shah, Mr.Pranit Kulkarni and Mr. Udayan Mukherjee and Mr.Darshan Patankar for petitioner in PILL/25905/2025.

Respondents

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Mr. Prasad Dhakephalkar, Senior Advocate with Mr.Shreyash Shah and Mr.Udayan Mukherjee for petitioner in PILL/25906/2025.

Ms. Manisha Jagtap with Ms. Mansi Joshi for respondent no. 5 in PILL/25899/2025 & PILL/25905/2025.

Ms. Chaitrali Deshmukh for respondent no. 3 in PILL/25899/2025 and PIL/25905/2025 (NMC).

Mr. Amar Mishra, AGP for respondent no.1 in PILL/25898/2025.

Ms. P. H. Kantharia, Government Pleader for respondent no. 1 in PILL/25899/2025.

Mr. Vishal Thadani, Additional Government Pleader for respondent no. 1 in PILL/25905/2025.

Ms. Anupama Pawar, AGP for respondent no. 1 in PILL/25906/2025.

Ms. Oorja Dhond i/b. Ms. Komal Punjabi for respondent no. 2 in PILL/25898/2025.

CORAM: ALOK ARADHE, CJ. & SANDEEP V. MARNE, J.

DATE: AUGUST 20, 2025

P.C.:

- 1. In these Public Interest Litigations (PILs), the petitioners have assailed the validity of order dated 14th August 2025 passed by the Commissioner of Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai, by which, the representations submitted by the petitioners to close the slaughter houses for the entire period of 10 days during the *Paryushan Parva* has been partly allowed.
- **2.** By the decision impugned in the PILs, the slaughter houses have been directed to be closed during two days of the *Paryushan Parva*, i.e., on 24th August 2025 and 27th August 2025.

- **3.** Learned counsel for the petitioners submitted that the impugned decision exhibits lack of application of mind as the same has been passed by taking into account material which has not been relevant for the purpose of the impugned decision.
- **4.** Issue notice to the respondents in all PILs, returnable after two weeks.
- **5.** Learned Government Pleader/Additional Government Pleader/AGP appear on behalf of respondent no. 1 in all petitions and waive service of notice. Ms. Oorja Dhond, learned counsel appears for respondent no. 2 (BMC) in PILL/25898/2025 and waives service of notice. Ms. Manisha Jagtap, learned counsel appears for respondent no. 5 in PILL/25898/2025 and PILL/25905/2025 and waives service of notice. Ms. Chaitrali Deshmukh, learned counsel appears for respondent no. 3 in PILL/25899/2025 and PILL/25905/2025 and waives service of notice.
- **6.** Learned counsel for petitioners in all PILs pray for and are granted two weeks' time to enable them to amend the PILs.
- **7.** List after two weeks.

(SANDEEP V. MARNE, J.)

(CHIEF JUSTICE)