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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY APPELLATE SIDE

WRIT PETITION (ST.) NO. 26702 OF 2023

Baramati Agro Ltd.

.. Petitioner.

V/s.

The Regional Officer, Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, Regional Office, Pune & others. ...

Respondents.

Mr.J.P.Sen, Senior Advocate with Mr.Akshay Shinde, S.V.Abang, Jeevanvidya Joshi for the Petitioner.

SANJAY KASHINATH NANOSKAR

Digitally signed by SANJAY KASHINATH NANOSKAR Date: 2023.09.29 18:49:50 +0530 CORAM: NITIN JAMDAR, AND

MANJUSHA DESHPANDE, JJ.

DATE: 29 September 2023.

P.C. :

Not on board. Taken on board by way of praecipe.

2. The learned Senior Advocate for the Petitioner states that the Petitioner has received a notice for closure of its unit/ factory issued by the Respondent- Pollution Control Board. The learned Senior Advocate states that a show cause notice was issued on 4 September 2023, hearing was held on 27 September 2023 and a 72 hours closure order was received by the Petitioner by email in the morning of 28 September 2023 at 1.38 a.m. He submitted that since yesterday was a holiday, the petition is filed today. Learned Senior Advocate submitted that in these circumstances the Petitioner

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has approached the Court as expeditiously as possible. Learned Senior Advocate submitted that period of 72 hours given to the Petitioner expires tomorrow that is Saturday, 30 September 2023.

- The learned Senior Advocate for the Petitioner states that direction to close down the Petitioner's unit/ factory is a drastic step and will affect not only the functioning of the unit but also the employees working therein. The learned Senior Advocate submits that the Petitioner has good case on merits. He prays that some protection be granted till the Respondents are served and the matter is heard.
- 4. Place the petition on board on 6 October 2023. The Petitioner will give notice to the Respondents and file affidavit of service.
- 5. By way of ad-interim order we direct that, subject to further orders, the time mandate in the impugned order is extended and will come will come into effect post 5.00 p.m. on 6 October 2023.

(MANJUSHA DESHPANDE, J.) (NITIN JAMDAR, J.)