



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CIVIL WRIT PETITION NO. 16293 OF 2024

Sameer Mohammad Yusuf Patel

... Petitioner

V/s.

The Panvel Municipal Corporation & Ors.

... Respondents

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Mr. Ajay S. Patil for Petitioner.

Mr. Meet Sawant i/b. K.P. Law Associates LLP for Respondent No.1.

Mr. H.S. Venegavkar a/w. Mr. Harsh Dedhia for Respondent Nos.3 & 4.

Ms. Savina R. Crasto, A.G.P. for Respondent No.5-State.

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CORAM : A. S. GADKARI AND  
KAMAL KHATA, JJ.

DATE : 27<sup>th</sup> February 2025.

PC. :

- 1) Advocate Mr. Sawant waives notice on behalf of Respondent No.1.
- 1.1) Advocate Mr. Venegavkar waives notice on behalf of Respondent Nos.3 & 4.
- 2) Await service of Respondent No.2.

**Later on after 4.30 p.m. :-**

3) Present Petition was listed for Admission on Sr. No. 59 today on board. During the course of the hearing, the Court staff noticed that, one person was audio recording the Court proceedings. The concerned Court staff therefore confronted the said person. He informed the Court staff that, he is

relative of Respondent Nos.3 & 4. Upon a query by the Court staff, they were informed that, he was not granted any permission by the Registry of this Court to do the said audio recording. Therefore as per the Notice dated 13<sup>th</sup> February 2017 issued by the Registry, his gadget i.e. mobile phone was seized, switched off and then forwarded to the Registry for safe custody.

3.1) Upon a query, the concerned person produced his Aadhar Card disclosing his name as, Mr. Sajid Abdul Jabbar Patel, resident of village Owe, opposite Tata Hospital, Sector-30, Owe, Kharghar, Panvel, District Raigad – 410210.

3.2) The aforestated fact was therefore subsequently brought to the notice of Mr. Venegavkar, learned Advocate for Respondent Nos.3 & 4.

4) Mr. Venegavkar fairly conceded to the fact that, no permission was granted to the said person for audio recording the Court proceedings. He fairly submitted that, the act of the said person cannot be justified. However, he requested this Court to show leniency to him as this is his first act and therefore may not to take stringent action against him. He thereafter on instructions from Mr. Sajid Abdul Jabbar Patel informed this Court that, for his said misconduct Mr. Sajid Abdul Jabbar Patel will pay a cost of Rs.1,00,000/- to the High Court Employees Medical Welfare Fund at Mumbai, within a period of three days from the date of uploading of the present Order on the official website of the High Court of Bombay. The said statement is accepted as an undertaking given to this Court.

4.1) Details of the bank account for payment of cost are as under :-

Account Name	:	The High Court Employees Medical Welfare Fund at Mumbai
Bank and Branch	:	Bank of India, Mumbai (Main) Branch
Account Number	:	000120110001337
IFSC Code	:	BKID0000001

5) List the Petition on board on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2025, under the caption 'For reporting compliance'.

( KAMAL KHATA, J. )

( A.S. GADKARI, J. )

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