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Mr. S.N. Patil, AGP for respondent in Writ Petition No.7390/2010.

Mr. S.R. Nargolkar, Addl. G.P. For respondents in Writ Petition No. 8019/2010, 8020/2010 and 8023/2010.

**CORAM: D. K. DESHMUKH &
ANOOP V. MOHTA, JJ.**

DATE : April 13, 2011

P.C.:

In all these Petitions, notices were issued under Section 48(7) of the Maharashtra Land Revenue Code, 1966 have been challenged. Those notices have been issued and proceedings have been taken up by the Authorities of the State Government against the Petitioner, because the Petitioners are digging the land which is granted to the Petitioner for construction of building for the purposes of laying foundation and for levelling the land.

2 The learned counsel appearing for the Respondent pointed out to us that in Writ Petition No.785/2008 – **Promoters and Builders Association vs. State of Maharashtra** and other connected Writ Petitions, the notices issued under Section 48(7) of the Maharashtra Land Revenue Code were challenged and a Division Bench of this

Court by its judgment dated 8 October 2010 has held that all those notices were valid. The learned counsel for the Petitioner states that that judgment has been challenged before the Supreme Court in Petition for Special Leave (Civil) No.33002/2011 and in that Petition on 24 October 2011 the Supreme Court has issued a notice and has granted "interim stay of the operation of the impugned judgment of the High Court".

3 We have also been pointed out that the Division Bench while deciding those Writ Petitions has not considered the provisions of Section 43 of the Maharashtra Land Revenue Code as also the provisions of the Rules framed under that provision. It was submitted that when land is granted for a particular purpose, then the grantee has implied authority to do everything on the land which is necessary for using the land for the purpose for which it has been granted. It is submitted that the land which is granted for the purposes of building site, can be excavated for erection of a building as also for digging of a well. We were taken through the provisions of the Maharashtra Land Revenue (Restrictions on use of Land) Rules, 1968, particularly, Rule 6 of those Rules, which lays down "no un-alienated land within the site of any village, town or city shall be excavated without the previous

written permission of the Collector for any purpose except for laying of foundation for buildings, the sinking of well and making of grain-pits. If excavation is to be done for any purposes other than laying foundation for building sinking of well, or making of grain-pits, then an application is to be made to the Collector for permission and under sub-rule (2) of Rule 6 of the said Rules of 1968. That application is to be considered by the Collector keeping in view the provisions of the Mines and Minerals (Regulations and Development) Act, 1957. It was submitted that these provisions clearly bring out that when land is granted for erection of building then statutory permission to dig the land for the purposes of laying of foundation for building, the sinking of well and making of grain-pits is granted. If the land is to be excavated for any other purpose then permission of Collector is necessary and then in granting that permission, the Collector has to have regard to the provisions of the Mines and Minerals Rules. It was submitted that under Section 48 (7), penalty can be levied by the Collector when any minor mineral is extracted from the land without lawful authority. It was submitted that when the land granted for building site is excavated for laying foundation, then that activity is with lawful authority and, therefore, there is no question of levying of any penalty for carrying out that activity. It was also submitted

before us that this aspect of the matter was pointed out to the Division Bench and that written submissions were also filed. However, the judgment of the Division Bench shows that these aspects have not been considered. In this situation, in our opinion, it will be appropriate to admit these Petitions for final hearing.

4 Hence, Rule.

5 Ad-interim order in terms of prayer (e).

(ANOOP V. MOHTA, J.)

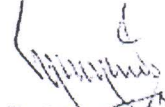
(D. K. DESHMUKH, J.)

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महसूल व वन विभाग
मंत्रालय, मुंबई ४०००३२.
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प्रति,
सर्व जिल्हाधिकारी.

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महाराष्ट्र चेंबर्स ऑफ हाऊसिंग
वि
महाराष्ट्र शासन व इतर

मुंबई उपनगर जिल्ह्यातील इमारतीच्या बांधकामासाठी भुखंडाचा विकास करताना खोदकामासाठी वापरण्यात येणाऱ्या गौण खनिजापोटीच्या प्रकरणात जिल्हाधिकारी, मुंबई उपनगर जिल्हा यांच्याकडून महाराष्ट्र चेंबर्स ऑफ हाऊसिंग इंडस्ट्री (MCHI) च्या सदस्यांना महाराष्ट्र जमीन महसूल अधिनियम, ४८ (७) नुसार नोटीसा बजावण्यात आल्या आहेत. त्याविषयी महाराष्ट्र चेंबर्स ऑफ हाऊसिंग इंडस्ट्री (MCHI) च्या सदस्यांनी मा. उच्च न्यायालयात याचिका क्र.६७०२/२०११ दाखल केली आहे. या याचिकेत दि.५.९.२०११ रोजी सुनावणी होऊन न्यायालयाने अंतरीम स्थगिती दिली असल्याने न्यायालयाचे आदेश विचारात घेता अशा प्रकारची, स्वामित्वधन वसुली बाबतची प्रस्तावीत कार्यवाही बाबत मा. उच्च न्यायालयाच्या आदेशानुसार कार्यवाही करण्यात यावी, ही विनंती.


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२/- प्रस्तुत प्रकरणी उपरिष्ठ शासन पत्रान्वये दिलेल्या निर्देशा प्रमाणे मा. उच्च न्यायालय, मुंबई यांनी रिट पिटिशन क्र. ६७०२/११ मध्ये स्विकार दि. ५/९/२०११ रोजी दिलेले आदेशा तसेच रिट पिटिशन क्र. ७३८०/२०१० मध्ये दि. १३/११/२०११ रोजी दिलेले आदेश विचारात घेऊन, अशा प्रकारची स्वामित्वधन वसुली बाबतची प्रस्तावित कार्यवाही मा. उच्च न्यायालयाच्या आदेशानुसार करण्यात यावी. याबाबत संबंधीत सेग्रीम स्तरावरील अधिकारी/कर्मचारी यांना योग्य त्या सूचना देण्यात यावी. सोबत मा. उच्च न्यायालयाच्या आदेशाच्या प्रत जिल्हाधिकारी कार्यालय रायगड वरील.