

MAHARASHTRA STATE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION, MUMBAI

9, Hajarimal Somanl Marg, Opp. Chhatrapatl Shivajl Maharaj Terminus, (CSMT) Mumbal – 400 001



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(Before Hon'ble Chairperson Justice A. M. Badar) Suo-Motu Case No. 6713/13/23/2025 | 219 | SUMMONS

(The Protection of Human Rights Act, S. 13 & under the Regulation 19 of Maharashtra State Human Rights Commission (Procedure)
Regulations 2001, for appearance in person)

To,

Shri Mayur Wagh

R/o - Village Pimpalwandi,

Tal-Junner, Dist-Pune

Through

The Superintendent of Police

Pune (Rural)

Whereas Commission has taken Suo-Motu cognizance dtd 09/03/2025 in respect of Viral Video, Social Media Flatform (Youtube) regarding "बिबटयाची दहशत वनाधिकारी म्हणतात कुन्ने पाळु नका जुन्न्र, जि पुणे against you for having failed to take necessary action in respect of its grievance, you are hereby summoned to appear before Commission in Court Room No. 1 in person on 31/10/2025 at 11.00 a.m., and thereafter, to submit response to the complaint.

You are further directed to submit your response in writing with relevant documents upon which you intend to rely in respect of your defence.

Take note that in default of your appearance on the day mentioned above, the matter will be decided further in accordance with law.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the Commission this

/2025

(By Order)

Registrar

Maharashtra State Human Rights Commission, Mumbai.

✓ Encl: Copy of Proceeding dated 08/10/2025

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NOTICE

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To,		
The Chief Secretary	The Principal Secretary	The Head of the Forest Force
State of Maharashtra,	Revenue and Forest Department,	3 rd Floor, Van Bhavan,
Mantralaya, Mumbai	Mantralaya	Ramgiri Road, Civil Lines, Nagpur
The Chief Wildlife Warden and	The Principal Chief Conservator of	The Conservator of Forest
The Principal Chief Conservator	Forest (Wild Life Wing)	(Territorial)
of Forest (Wildlife), Van Bhavan	3 rd Floor, Van Bhavan,	Van Bhavan, Bhamburda Van
Ramgiri Road, Nagpur 440 001	Ramgiri Road, Civil Lines, Nagpur	Vihar
		Gokhale Nagar, Pune 411 016
The Dy. Conservator of Forest	The Superintendent of Police	•
(Territorial)	Pune (Rural)	
Dadoji Konde Wada, Near		
Treasury Buildig, Junnar		
Dist Pune		

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AMB/Suo Moto Case No. - 6713/13/23/2025 $|_{2|9|}$

Name of the Respondent

- :1 The Chief Secretary State of Maharashtra, Mantralaya, Mumbai
- 2 The Principal Secretary, Revenue and Forest Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai
- 3 The Head of the Forest Force, 3rd Floor, Van Bhavan, Ramgiri Road, Civil Lines, Nagpur
- 4 The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (Wild Life Wing), 3rd Floor, Van Bhavan, Ramgiri Road, Civil Lines, Nagpur
- 5 The Conservator of Forest (Territorial), Van Bhavan, Bhamburda Van Vihar, Gokhale Nagar, Pune 411 016
- 6 The Dy. Conservator of Forest (Territorial), Dadoji Konde Wada, Near Treasury Building, Junnar, Dist. Pune
- 7 The Superintendent of Police, Pune (Rural)

Date

: 8th October 2025

Coram

: Justice A. M. Badar, Chairperson

PROCEEDING

1. Social media Platforms are buzzing with news regarding human animal conflict at Pimpalwandi village in Junnar taluka of Pune District. Clips from the You Tube are vividly showing the

magnitude and intensity of this conflicting which prima facie demonstrates serious threat to life of entire family of one Shri Mayur Wagh of that village which comprises of his School going children, wife and other members. His house is seen to be situated in the field which is frequented by several panthers which are preying on his livestock. The clips further shows that if it is attempted to ward off the Panther during its attack on livestock, it gets furious and attacks even on the closed door of house of Shri. Mayur Wagh. Prima facie those Panthers become dangerous to human life as seen from their behavior. As seen from the video clips, Mayur Wagh has suffered financial loss due to killing of his farm animals by Panther in the vicinity of his house. Education of his School going children is adversely affected as they are unable to go to Schools without assistance of father to reach them to the Schools. To crown this all, it is averred that the Forest Department which occasionally keeps the trap cage asks Mayur Wagh to keep the prey like sheep in that cage at his own cost and is not providing him any protection from attacks of Panthers. Visuals from clips are starting and shows that the Panthers became so violent that on hearing shouts from the house to ward them off, they are attacking the house itself. Prima facie serious case of violation of right to life, property and education of School going children of Mayur Wagh, resident of village Pimpalwandi, Tal. Junnar, Dist. Pune is made out warranting suo moto cognizance is made out. It is seen that quick decision either to capture these Panthers or to cull them by following the stringent provisions of the Wildlife (Protection) Act,

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1975 is required to be taken by the Chief Wild Life Warden of the State of Maharashtra in such critical stage of human animal conflict where leaving their habitat i.e. the forests, Panthers are roaming in the close proximity of house of Mayur Wagh. This seems to be difficult task as Article 21 of the Constitution which guarantees the right to life also mandates protection of environment and the State will have to find the way out by balancing the things. Ultimately, Panther or Leopard is an animal found it Schedule – I (Entry No. 16 B) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act. 1972.

The video clips depicts fear of threat to life in eyes of teen 2. aged children of Mayur Wagh whose house, its surrounding premises as well as field is repeatedly attacked by panthers. It is seen from those clips that education of at least three childrens residing in the subject house is adversely affected as because of fear of attack of panthers. They are unable to go to school by their own and requires to be reached to the school under the supervision of the elders in the family, on availability. It is also clear that Forest Department or its Wild Life Wing has not even kept Guards at the subject premises for protecting human life of residents of the house in question where small children are also residing. The video depicts that the Panther had attacked calf tied at a distance of few feet from the door of the house during which a small child had to rush to the sanctuary of his house to save his life at that incident. As such this case requires interim relief as per provisions of Section 18 (c) of the Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993 and therefore, the order:

- a) Issue notice of this proceeding along with pen drive containing all video clips for submission of fact finding inquiry report by next date of hearing to:
 - The Chief Secretary, State of Maharashtra, Mantralya,
 Mumbai
 - ii. The Principal Secretary, Revenue and Forest Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai
 - iii. The Head of the Forest Force, 3rd Floor, Van Bhavan, Ramgiri Road, Civil Lines, Nagpur
 - iv. The Chief Wildlife Warden and The Principle Chief Conservator of Forest (Wildlife), Van Bhavan, Ramgiri Road, Nagpur 440001.
 - v. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Wild Life Wing, 3rd Floor, Van Bhavan, Ramgiri Road, Civil Lines, Nagpur
 - vi. The Conservator of Forest (Territorial), Van Bhavan, Bhamburda Van Vihar, Gokhale Nagar, Pune 411 016
 - vii. The Dy. Conservator of Forest (Territorial), Dadoji Konde Wada, Near Treasury Building, Junnar, Dist.
 - viii. The Superintendent of Police, Pune (Rural)
 - ix. Mayur Wagh R/o Village Pimpalwandi, Tal- Junnar Dist-Pune.
 - b) By way of interim relief u/s 18 (c) of the Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993, Respondents / noticees No. 1 to 6 are directed to keep at least two Forest Guards round the clock in the premises of Shri. Mayur Wagh R/o.

Pimpalwandi, Tal Junnar, Dist Pune. Similarly, these Respondents should provide transport services to the School going students residing at the subject house of Shri. Mayur Wagh, Village Pimpalwnadi in Junnar Taluka for reaching them to the school and from taking them back to their house. These Respondents should daily keep trap cages with suitable bait at appropriate places in the premises of Shri. Mayur Wagh daily in order to capture the dangerous panthers which are habitual in attacking directions should these Respondents livestock. scrupulously, failing which appropriate action as per law shall follow. Kural

- c) The Superintended of Police (Kothrud), Pune to serve summonse of this proceeding to communicate, next date of hearing to Shri Mayur Wagh R/o Village Pimpalwandi, Tal-Junnar Dist-Pune.
- d) Matter to appear on board before Court No.1 on 31st October 2025 at 11.00 a.m.

e) Inform to all the parties concerned.

(Justice A. M. Badar) Chairperson

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