IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY BENCH AT AURANGABAD

WRIT PETITION NO. 4260 OF 2020

RUPALI RAHUL DHANESHWAR V/S.
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA AND ANOTHER

Advocate for Petitioner: Mr. R. V. Gore AGP for Respondent/State: Mr. P. S. Patil

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CORAM: S. V. GANGAPURWALA, J.

DATE: 30th MARCH, 2020

PER COURT:

1. The petitioner seeks termination of pregnancy. The petitioner was referred to the expert committee at Government Medical College and Hospital, Aurngabad. The expert committee examined the petitioner and submitted the report. The report reads thus-

"The committee has thoroughly examined Rupali w/o. Rahul Dhaneshwar @ Rupali and her obstetric Sonographic report. On obstetric ulta-Sonography dated 27-03-2020 done at GMC, Aurangabad. Following findings are noted.

- A. Length of Pregnancy: Gestational Age of 20 weeks 01 days.
- B. Single live intrauterine fetus with acrania-anencephaly sequence, kyphoscoliotic deformity at dorso lumbar spine and short cervical spine.

Taking into consideration the above findings there is substantial risk to the fetus if

born. Hence this committee recommends termination of pregnancy. Pregnancy can be terminated at any Government recognized centre of choice of patient with due risk to mother and the risk is explained to her and her relatives."

- 2. The committee has opined that there is substantial risk to the fetus if born. The committee recommends termination of pregnancy.
- 3. The risk involved is explained to the petitioner. The learned counsel for the petitioner, on instructions submits that the petitioner is explained of the risk involved in the termination of pregnancy and the petitioner would proceed with termination of pregnancy.
- 4. The petitioner is permitted to terminate the pregnancy at any Government recognized centre.
- 5. Authenticated copy be given.

[S. V. GANGAPURWALA, J.]