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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

WRIT PETITION NO. 17578 OF 2024

Mr.Sandip Daulat Nikode

... Petitioner

Versus

Superintendent Engineer

Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution

Company Ltd. And ors.

... Respondents

Ms. Manisha Salekar, for the Petitioner.

Ms.Nukshinaro i/b M.V. Kini and Co.,for Respondent Nos. 1 and 2.

Ms.Priyanka Mahadik, for Respondent No.4.

**CORAM : RAVINDRA V. GHUGE AND
ASHWIN D. BHOBE, JJ.**

DATE : 05th MARCH, 2025

P.C. :

1. Respondent No.4 and the Petitioner had approached the Civil Judge, Senior Division, Chandrapur in Regular Civil Suit No. 228 of 2014, for seeking a declaration that Plaintiff No.2 is the adopted son of Plaintiff No.1. The sole Defendant is the biological mother of the Petitioner who claims to be an adopted son. This matter was not adjudicated upon by the Trial Court. The compromise terms were tendered stating therein that the biological mother has no objection if her son is adopted by the widow. The Petitioner claims that he was adopted when his adoptive father was alive, on 27th January, 2003. The adoptive

father passed away on 19th June, 2009 and the Petitioner now claims compassionate appointment on the basis of the compromise terms tendered before the Civil Court.

2. Such matters deserve to be investigated into. The Respondent-Company with whom the deceased was working, needs to file an affidavit-in-reply, inter alia setting out the names of the nominees that the deceased employee may have nominated while he was in service with the said Company.

3. Let such affidavit-in-reply be filed on or before 20th March, 2025.

4. List this Petition on 01st April, 2025 in the urgent category.

(ASHWIN D. BHOBE, J.)

(RAVINDRA V. GHUGE, J.)