

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

WRIT PETITION NO. 4077 OF 2025

Nandkumar Ganesh Shinde

...Petitioner

Versus

The District Caste Certificate
Scrutiny Committee & Anr.

...Respondents

Mr. Ajay S. Pai Asnodkar, Legal Aid Counsel for the Petitioner.

Mr. P.P. Kakade, Addl. G.P. a/w Mr. S.H. Kankal, AGP for the
Respondent – State.

CORAM : RAVINDRA V. GHUGE

&

ASHWIN D. BHOBE, JJ.

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P.C. :-

1. **Issue notice** to the Respondents. The learned Addl. Government Pleader waives service of notice on behalf of the Respondents.

2. The daughter and two biological brothers of the Petitioner have been granted validity certificates. It is canvassed before us that one of the members of the Committee, Ms. Ujwala Sapkale, Member Secretary, was refusing to grant the certificate on

the ground that the Petitioner is in Employment and is not taking education. The the claim is rejected by the impugned order because the verification report of the grandfather's Gaon Namuna-14 is not tendered. The impugned order dated 12th September, 2024, was supplied to the Petitioner on 13th January, 2025, only after he filed an Application under the Right to Information Act, 2005.

3. We direct the learned Addl. Government Pleader to ensure that Ms. Ujwala Sapkale files her personal affidavit explaining the above aspects, on or before 3rd April, 2025.

4. List this Petition on **7th April, 2025**, in the 'Fresh Admissions Category'.

(ASHWIN D. BHOBE, J.)

(RAVINDRA V. GHUGE, J.)