



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
NAGPUR BENCH, NAGPUR.**

WRIT PETITION NO. 2111 OF 2026

Suranjana d/o Maroti Nannaware

-Vs.-

Scheduled Tribe Certificate Scrutiny Committee, Chandrapur & Oths.

Office notes, Office Memoranda of
Coram, appearances, Court's orders Court's or Judge's Orders.
or directions and Registrar's orders.

Mr.P.P. Dhok, Adv. for the petitioner.
Ms Hemlata Dhande, AGP for the respondent-State.

**CORAM : SMT. M. S. JAWALKAR &
NANDESH S.DESHPANDE, JJ.**

DATE : 10TH MARCH, 2026

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Heard learned counsel for the petitioner.

2. Learned AGP Ms Hemlata Dhande waives notice for the respondent Nos.1, 2 and 5.

3. In view of the limited prayer for direction to the respondent No.1-Scheduled Tribe Certificate Scrutiny Committee, Chandrapur to decide the caste claim of the petitioner within a stipulated period, we do not think it necessary to issue notices to other respondents.

4. It appears that a proposal was forwarded on 27/10/2025. The respondent No.4-Executive Engineer, M.S.E.T.C.L., Boisar 220 KV Sub-Center Boisar-2, issued show cause notice dated 14/01/2026 as to why the services of the petitioner cannot be terminated, as he failed to produce

validity certificate. Needless to mention here that the caste claim of the petitioner is pending with the respondent No.1-Scrutiny Committee. Therefore, there is no question of producing the same within a stipulated period. As such, the petition is allowed.

5. The respondent No.1-Scrutiny Committee is hereby directed to decide the claim of the petitioner within a period of three months from the date of production of this order.

6. The respondent No.3-Chief Engineer, M.S.E.T.C.L. (EHV), (O&M), Vashi and respondent No.4-Executive Engineer, M.S.E.T.C.L., Boisar 220 KV Sub-Center Boisar-2, Vidyanagar, Post Sarawali, District Palghar are hereby directed not to take any coercive steps in respect of employment of the petitioner till his caste claim is decided by the respondent No.1-Scrutiny Committee.

7. The petition stands disposed of in the above terms. No costs.

(NANDESH S.DESHPANDE, J)

(SMT.M.S.JAWALKAR, J)