



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

SUIT NO. 4762 OF 1996

State Bank of India ...Plaintiff
V/s.
M/s Surya Agroils Ltd and Ors. ...Defendants

Mr. Yash A. Gaikwad i/b M/s Bilawala & Co. for the Plaintiff.
Mr. Sachin S. Punde for the Defendant No. 4.

CORAM : ABHAY AHUJA, J.
DATE : 15th JULY, 2025

PC. :

1. When the matter is called out, Mr. Gaikwad, learned Counsel appears for the Plaintiff and submits that this is an old matter and as last known the Defendant No. 1 was directed to be wound up by the Madhya Pradesh High Court on 17th September, 2009. That thereafter, despite extensive communication with the Plaintiff, no update on the Defendant No. 1 has been obtained. That this Court may grant one last indulgence to ascertain the status of the Defendant No.1.

2. Mr. Gaikwad submits that the stage of the matter is for marking of Plaintiff's documents as the Plaintiff's evidence and compilation of documents have already been served on the Defendants. However, no statement of admission and denial has been received till date. Mr.



Gaikwad, however, seeks some time to take instructions on the course of action to be adopted specially considering that the Defendant No. 1 is directed to be would up.

3. Mr. Punde, learned Counsel appearing for the Defendant No.4 submits that he appears for the ex-employee against whom fraud has been alleged and seeks some time to consider the evidence and documents that have been filed on behalf of the Plaintiff and if necessary file statement of admission and denial.

4. Be that as it may, a perusal of the orders indicates that since 2020 the same information has been furnished to this Court that the Defendant No.1-company has been directed to be would up by the Madhya Pradesh High Court and time has been sought on behalf of the Plaintiff.

5. As can be seen, the Suit is of the year 1996 and considering that there are directions from the Hon'ble Supreme Court to prioritize 30 years old matters for the disposal, this Court cannot go on adjourning the matter.



6. Accordingly, list on **29th July, 2025** under the caption “For Directions”.

7. Let instructions be taken by the Plaintiff on the course of action the Plaintiff is desirous of adopting.

8. Let copy of this order also be served on the Official Liquidator, High Court Bombay to assist the Plaintiff on the status of the Defendant No.1 and the further steps that have been taken regarding the Defendant No.1.

(ABHAY AHUJA, J.)