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Adeline vs. Girish & Anr.

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

TESTAMENTARY PETITION NO. 127 OF 1994

Adeline Rodrigues, Administrator

.. Petitioner

V/s.

Girish Nautmal Jani and Anr.

.. Respondents

WITH

INTERIM APPLICATION (L) NO. 8575 OF 2023

IN

TESTAMENTARY PETITION NO. 127 OF 1994

WITH

INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 7459 OF 2025

IN

TESTAMENTARY PETITION NO. 127 OF 1994

**Ms. Adeline Rodrigues- Administrator.**

**Mr. Annuj Narula** a/w Mr. Sayeed Mulani i/b Mulani & Co. for Executrix of Girish Jani (Noticee no. 2).

**Mr. Manjiri Bodke** i/b Ms. Khushbu Prabhu for Noticee no. 6 (Legal heirs of Gireesh Jani) in Administrator's Report no. 9.

**Mr. Mahernosh Humranwala** with Ms. Kirtida Chandarana i/b Mr. Mahernosh Humranwala for Executors of late Mr. Dorab Seervai, heir and legal representative of Rusi Seervai.

**Ms. Charu Budhadev** i/b Dhru & Co. for Noticee no. 1.

**Mr. Tushad Kakalia** i/b Ms. Pushpa Thapa for Respondent no. 2 - Katie/Zoru Bhatena.

CORAM : FARHAN P. DUBASH, J.

DATE : 18<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2026

P.C.:

1. The Administrator appointed under order dated 20<sup>th</sup> January 2014 has taken out this Administrator's Report no. 9 dated 13<sup>th</sup> February



2026 seeking liberty to appoint a Counsel to assist her in the matter.

2. In the order dated 17<sup>th</sup> October 2018 passed by this Court, such liberty was already given to the Administrator.

3. Considering this, and with the consent of all the parties who are appearing in the matter and who are present in Court today, the following order is passed:

**ORDER**

- (i) The Administrator is at liberty to appoint a Counsel to assist her in the matter.
- (ii) The Administrator is permitted to pay the fees of the said Counsel from the funds lying in the account opened in the name of estate of the Deceased and maintain accounts for the same.
- (iii) The Administrator Report no. 9 is disposed of in terms of the above order with no orders as to costs.

4. This Court is informed that there are several prior reports viz. Administrator's Report nos. 5, 6, 7 and 8 filed by the Administrator for various reliefs that are still pending since a very long time.

5. Considering this, place all these Reports on board on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2026.

6. Parties inform this Court that pleadings in these Reports are



complete.

7. Mr. Tushad Kakalia, learned Counsel who appears on behalf of the Respondent no. 2, informs this Court that Respondent no. 2 has since passed away in August-2025 and pursuant thereto, the estate of Respondent no. 2 has taken out an Interim Application No. 7459 of 2025 seeking impleadment of the heir and executor of Respondent no. 2.

8. Mr. Tushad Kakalia, shall serve a copy of this Interim Application on all the parties, on or before 25<sup>th</sup> February 2026. Reply, if any, shall be filed and served, on or before 11<sup>th</sup> March 2026. Rejoinder, if any, shall be filed and served, on or before 18<sup>th</sup> March 2026.

9. Place the Interim Application together with Administrator's Reports on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2026.

( FARHAN P. DUBASH, J. )

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