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IN THE APPELLATE TRIBUNAL FOR ELECTRICITY
(Appellate Jurisdiction)

DFR No : 88 of 2025 & IA No. 370 OF 2025

Dated: 22nd April, 2025

Present : Hon`ble Mr. Justice Ramesh Ranganathan, Chairperson
Hon`ble Ms. Seema Gupta, Technical Member (Electricity)

In the matter of:

Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Company Ltd.	....	Appellant(s)
Versus		
Chetan Purshottam Patel &Anr.	....	Respondent(s)

Counsel on record for the Appellant(s)	:	Udit Gupta Anup Jain Vyom Chaturvedi Nishtha Goel Pragya Gupta Sneha Singh Deepshikha Kumar for App. 1
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ORDER

IA 370 of 2025
(for condonation of delay in filing the Appeal)

Ms. Deepali Sheth, learned Counsel appearing on behalf of the 1st Respondent submit that sufficient cause has not been shown for the delay of 89 days in filing the appeal. We are of the view that the delay is not so inordinate as to non-suit the Appellant on this score, and deem it appropriate to condone the delay in filing the appeal on condition that

the Appellant pays costs of Rs. 35,000/- (Rupees thirty five thousand) to the Central Transmission Utility of India Limited (CTUIL) within four weeks and files proof of payment in the Registry within two weeks' thereafter. The delay is condoned subject to compliance with the aforesaid directions.

Needless to state that, in case the aforesaid costs are not paid within four weeks from today and an affidavit of proof of payment is not filed in the Registry within two weeks thereafter, the application, for condonation of delay in filing the appeal, shall stand dismissed automatically, and the Appeal shall stand rejected. The I.A. is, accordingly, disposed of.

The Appellant shall also intimate the CTU of the Appeal No. and the date of the Order, in terms of which costs are being paid.

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Reply shall be filed by the Respondents within six weeks and rejoinder, if any, shall be filed within four weeks' thereafter.

After compliance of the aforesaid directions and after verification by the Registry, let the Appeal be included in the 'List of Short Matters' to be taken up from there, in its turn.

(Seema Gupta)
Technical Member (Electricity)

(Justice Ramesh Ranganathan)
Chairperson

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