



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
NAGPUR BENCH, NAGPUR
WRIT PETITION NO. 2504 OF 2024

(Dipak s/o Vasantraoji Choudhari and others vs. Union of India and others)

*Office Notes, Office Memorandum of Coram,
 appearances, Court's orders of directions
 and Registrar's orders.*

Court's or Judge's order

Mr. T.R.S. Kumar, Advocate with Ms.Smita Taksande, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. N.S.Deshpande, Deputy Solicitor General of India for respondent No.1.

Mr. A.M.Kadukar, Assistant Government Pleader for the respondent Nos.2, 3 and 5 to 8.

Mr. Atul Pande, Advocate for respondent No.4.

CORAM : BHARATI DANGRE AND ABHAY J. MANTRI, JJ.

DATE : SEPTEMBER 26, 2024

Since the petitioner seeks a declaration that Section 10(4) of the Petroleum and Minerals Pipelines Act, 1962 is violative of Articles 14, 21 and 300A of the Constitution and a declaration is sought that it is unconstitutional being arbitrary, oppressive and unfair, we deem it appropriate to issue notice to the Attorney General of India, which is waived by Deputy Solicitor General of India on his behalf.

2) We expect the response from the Office of Attorney General of India within a period of six weeks from today.

3) As far as the merits of the petition are concerned, the contesting respondents are at liberty to file their affidavits and complete the pleadings within next returnable date, which is scheduled as **25/11/2024**.

4) To be heard along with Writ Petition Nos.761/2024, 404/2024 and 1419/2024.

(ABHAY J. MANTRI, J.)

(BHARATI DANGRE, J.)