

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

WRIT PETITION NO. 1994 OF 2024

Union of India	..Petitioner
versus	
Lt. Col. Sk. Rathodre Deceased, through his widow Collen. Rathore	..Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 2017 OF 2024**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Colonel B. K. George (Retd.)	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 2021 OF 2024**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Colonel Brahmarshi Vandey (Retd.)	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 2020 OF 2024**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Colonel Madhusudan Dave (Retd.)	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 2022 OF 2024**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Colonel A. K. Nath (Retd.)	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 2013 OF 2024**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Colonel Jagdish Jaisingh Rao Gadekar (Retd.)	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 2016 OF 2024**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Colonel Ronny Dvania (Retd.)	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 2015 OF 2024**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Colonel (TS) Naushirwan M. Irani (Retd.)	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 2010 OF 2024**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Colonel Gulab Yasin Tamboli (Retd.)	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 2011 OF 2024**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Colonel B. S. Narayan (Retd.)	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 6895 OF 2025**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Captain Virendra Singh Marya (Retd.)	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 6896 OF 2025**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Sarat Chandra Das (Retd.)	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO.6897 OF 2025**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Capt. Umesh Kumar Singh	.. Respondents

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 6898 OF 2025**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Prem Kumar (Retd.)	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 6899 OF 2025**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Shankar Biswas (Retd.)	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 1993 OF 2024**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Col. B. V. Parkhe (Retd.)	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 4097 OF 2025**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Mahadev Paul, Ex. CPO Log (Std).	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO.4095 OF 2025**

Union of India & Ors.	.. Petitioners
Versus	
Shamboo Singh Yadav	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO.3811 OF 2025**

Union of India & Ors.	.. Petitioners
Versus	
No. 122254 Ex MC Mech R II	
Shiv Kumar Gupta	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO.4094 OF 2025**

Union of India & Ors.	.. Petitioners
Versus	
Cdr Kavikant Mahapatra	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO.2012 OF 2024**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Col Mukesh Trehan	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO.2018 OF 2024**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Ex Naib Sub Nitin Rao Mahajan	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO.2023 OF 2024**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Nb Risaldar Kengare sayab U Jaysingh	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO.4096 OF 2025**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Ex MCPO II Sant Lal	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO.3823 OF 2025**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Hitesh Goel	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 2122 OF 2024**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Ex Sigmn Mali Rajaram Vasant M15396638M	

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO.2025 OF 2024**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Shahaji Hari Patil	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO.4172 OF 2024**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Ex Sub (CLK) Khatal Ankush Anandrao	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO.17380 OF 2024**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
through Ministry of Defence	
Versus	
Maj. Rajgopalan C (Retd)	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION (ST) NO.5799 OF 2025**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
through Ministry of Defence	
Versus	
Ex Hav Kenjale Suryakant Jagannath	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO.6541 OF 2024**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
JC 730893A Ex Sub Bhosale Sudhir Anna	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO.17382 OF 2024**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
through Ministry of Defence	
Versus	
Ex Sepoy Malkar Girish Ashok	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO.10754 OF 2025**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
through Ministry of Defence	
Versus	
Ex Sub Gund Sahebrao Yashwant	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO.4201 OF 2025**

Union of India & Ors.	.. Petitioners
Versus	
No.6393739N, Ex-Havilkar Chandrakant	
Hausa Bapu Pote	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO.3018 OF 2025**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
through Ministry of Defence	
Versus	
Col Keerti Kumar Sharma	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO.10965 OF 2025**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
through Ministry of Defence	
Versus	
Ex Jwo Uma Shankar Singh	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO.3019 OF 2025**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
through Ministry of Defence	
Versus	
Ex Sub Shedage Sudhir Ramchandra	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION (ST) NO.18223 OF 2025**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
Versus	
Bhise Bapurao Balu	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 10967 OF 2025**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
versus	
Col. Arun Bhandari	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 10969 OF 2025**

Union of India	.. Petitioner
versus	
Ex. GNR. Jaid Vidhur Vishwanathrao	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 10964 OF 2025**

Unionof India	.. Petitioner
versus	
Ex. HFO Eshanti Pratap Kumar Padhi	.. Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION (ST) NO. 25447 OF 2025**

Union of India	..	Petitioner
versus		
Ex. Sub. Rajendra yashwant Bhosale	..	Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 12968 OF 2025**

Union of India	..	Petitioner
Versus		
Commander Birendra Prasad Singh (Retd.)	..	Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION (ST) NO. 25583 OF 2025**

Union of India	..	Petitioner
versus		
CDR Rakesh Jaggi (Retd.)	..	Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 10968 OF 2025**

Union of India	..	Petitioner
versus		
Lt. Col. Rajesh Kumar (Retd.)	..	Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 12969 OF 2025**

Union of India	..	Petitioner
versus		
Awadhesh Singh (Ex. CPO LOG MAT)	..	Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION (ST) NO. 27181 OF 2025**

Union of India	..	Petitioner
versus		
Brijesh Singh Ex. POAF	..	Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION (ST) NO. 28195 OF 2025**

Union of India	..	Petitioner
versus		
Vikas Kumar	..	Petitioner

**WITH
WRIT PETITION (ST) NO. 28336 OF 2025**

Union of India	..	Petitioner
versus		
Hav. K. Muniraj	..	Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 18057 OF 2024**

Union of India	..	Petitioner
versus		
Ex. JWO Abhay Prasad Mahapatra	..	Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION (ST) NO. 29309 OF 2025**

Union of India	..	Petitioner
versus		
Chavan Dinesh Popat (Ex. Subedar)	..	Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION (ST) NO. 28445 OF 2024**

Union of India	..	Petitioner
versus		
Mahendra Nath Mishra	..	Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION (ST) NO. 31522 OF 2024**

Union of India	..	Petitioner
versus		
Upendra Singh	..	Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 19049 OF 2024**

Union of India	..	Petitioner
versus		
Pardeshi Manoj Pitambar	..	Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 6900 OF 2025**

Union of India	..	Petitioner
versus		
Pradeep Kumar	..	Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 1990 OF 2024**

Union of India	..	Petitioner
versus		
Colonel (TS0) Vithal Pitambar Chitte (Retd.)..		Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 2575 OF 2025**

Union of India	..	Petitioner
Versus		
Dayashankar Pasi, Ex MWO (Hony Flying Officer)	..	Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 1992 OF 2024**

Union of India	..	Petitioner
versus		
Col. (TS) Asim Kumar Ramendra Chandra Dutta IC-3891 0X	..	Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 2009 OF 2024**

Union of India	..	Petitioner
versus		
Lt. Col. Yesh Paul Sharma	..	Respondent

**ORIGINAL SIDE
WRIT PETITION NO. 4362 OF 2024**

Union OF India & Anr.	..	Petitioners
versus		
K. V. Santosh	..	Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 2802 OF 2024**

Union OF India & Anr.	..	Petitioners
versus		
Janardan Singh	..	Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 2810 OF 2024**

Union of India & Anr.	..	Petitioners
versus		
Anan Jaiswal	..	Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION (L) NO. 3899 OF 2024**

Union of India	..	Petitioners
versus		
Anand Baitule Lieutenant Commander (Retd)	..	Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION (L) NO. 29059 OF 2024**

Union of India	..	Petitioner
versus		
Naresh Kumar Balbir Singh	..	Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION (L) NO. 30051 OF 2024**

Union of India	..	Petitioner
versus		
Radha Shyam Gujar	..	Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION (L) NO. 30784 OF 2024**

Union of India	..	Petitioner
versus		
Virendra Kumar	..	Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 2468 OF 2024**

Union of India & Anr.	..	Petitioners
versus		
Sabha Jeet Singh	..	Respondents

**WITH
WRIT PETITION (L) NO. 39025 OF 2024**

Union of India	..	Petitioner
versus		
Rajesh Kumar	..	Respondent

**WITH
WRIT PETITION (L) NO. 39038 OF 2024**

Union of India	..	Petitioner
versus		
Rajeev Kumar	..	Respondent

Mr. Amarendra Mishra, Advocate for the Petitioner- UOI in WP Nos. 6895/2025, 6896/2025, 6897/2025, 6898/2025, 6899/2025, 1993/2024, 4097/ 2025, 17380/ 2024, 17382/2024, 10754/2025, 10965/2025, 10967/2025, 10969/2025, 12968/2025, 10968/2025, 12969/2025, 2009/2024, 19049/24, 6900/2025, 1994/2024, 1990/2024, 1992/ 2024, WP/10964/2025 and WPST Nos. 5799/2025, 25583/2025, 27181/2025 & 29309/2025.

Mr. Amarendra Mishra a/w Adv Anusha Amin, Advocates for the Petitioner in WP/2017/2024, WP/2021/2024, WP/2020/2024, WP/2022/2024, WP/2013/2024, WP/2016/2024, WP/2015/2024, WP/2010/2024 & WP/2011/2024.

Mr. Sagar Batavia, Advocate for the Respondent in WP/10964/2025.

Mr. Niranjana Shimpi, Advocate for the Petitioner in WP/4201/2025.

Mr. Satendra Kumar a/w Mr.Akshay Patil, Advocats for the Respondent in WP Nos.2020/2024, 3823/2025, 3019/2025, 10967/2025, Writ Petition (ST.) Nos. 27181/2025, 10968/2025, ST.28445/2025 1994/2024, 1992/2024, 4362/202, 2810/2024 & 2122/2024.

Mr. Angsuman Ojha, Advocate for the Respondent in WP Nos. 2016/2024, 1993/2024, 2012/2024 & 6899/2025.

Mr. Mahadevan Anand, Advocate for the Respondent in WP Nos.2022/2024, 1990/2024, 3018/2025, & WPSt/28336/2025.

Mr. Dinesh Kumar Bishnoi. Advocate for the Respondent in WP Nos.2010/2024 & 2011/2024.

Ms. Anamika Malhotra, Advocate for the Petitioner in WP Nos.4095/2025, 3811/2025, 4094/2025, 2012/2024,2018/2024, 2023/2024,4096/2025, 3823/2025, 2025/2024, 4172/2024, 6541/2024, 3018/2025, 3019/2025,18057/2024, 2575/2025, 2122/2024 AND WP (St) Nos.18223/2025, 25447/2025, 28195/2025, 28336/2025 & 31522/2024.

Mr. Sagar.S. Ambedkar a/w Ms.Disha Nidre, Advocates for the Petitioner in WP (St)/28445/2024.

Mr. Yogendra Pratap Singh, Advocate for the Respondent in WP Nos.2015/24, 4097/2025, 3811/2025, 2018/2024, 4096/2025, 6541/2024, 4201/2025, 10969/2025, 4094/2025, 6897/2025, 19457/2024& WPST Nos. 28195/2025, 29309/25, 31522/2024 & 25447/2025.

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Mr. Dayashankar Pasi, Advocate Respondent party in person in WP/2575/2025.

Mr. Kedar Dighe, Advocate for the Petitioner in OS Writ Petition Nos.4362/2024, 2810/2024, 2802/2024, 2468/2024 and WP(L) No.3899/2024.

Mr. Amarendra Mishra, Senior Panel Counsel for the Petitioner in Writ Petition (L) Nos.29059/2024, 30051/2024, 20784/2024, 39025/2024 and 39038/2024.

Mr. Ranjeet Kumar Singh, Advocate for the Respondent in Writ Petition (L) Nos.39038/2024 and 39025/2024.

Mr. Yogendra Pratap Singh a/w Ms. Vaishnavi Kushwah for the Respondent In Writ Petition No.2802/2024 and Writ Petition (L) Nos.3899/2024, 29059/2024, 30051/2024 and 30784/2024.

**CORAM : SHREE CHANDRASHEKHAR, CJ &
GAUTAM A. ANKHAD, J.**

DATE : 26th NOVEMBER 2025.

P.C. :

Post the matters on 2nd December 2025 at 4:30 p.m.

[GAUTAM A. ANKHAD, J.]

[CHIEF JUSTICE]