

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

**WRIT PETITION NO.6152 OF 2024**

Deepak Kumar and Ors. .. Petitioners

Vs.

Union of India,  
Through Ministry of Finance,  
Department of Revenue and Ors. .. Respondents

**ALONG WITH**

**INTERIM APPLICATION NO.11295 OF 2025 IN WRIT PETITION NO.6152 OF 2024  
INTERIM APPLICATION NO.11780 OF 2025 IN WRIT PETITION NO.6152 OF 2024**

Dilip Kumar and Ors. .. Applicants-Interveners

Pramod Sain and Ors. .. Applicants-Interveners

**ALONG WITH**

**WRIT PETITION NO.18613 OF 2024**

Principal Commissioner of Customs (General),  
Mumbai Customs, Zone-1, Mumbai and Ors. .. Petitioners

Vs.

Deepak Kumar and Ors. .. Respondents

Mr. Anil Singh, Additional Solicitor General, i/by Mr. Aniruddha A. Garge, Advocate for the Petitioner in WP/18613/2024.

Mr. Ramchandra Apte, Senior Advocate, i/by Mr. Sagar Ambedkar, Ms. Dhanashree Bhate, Advocates for Respondent No.1 in WP/6152/2024.

Mr. Ramesh Ramamurthy with Mr. Saikumar Ramamurthy and Ms. Seema Sorte, Advocates for the Petitioners in WP/6152/2024 and for the Applicants in IA/11295/2025 & IA/11780/2025 and for the Respondents in WP/18613/2024.

Mr. Rahul Walia, i/by Mr. Puneet Pathak, Advocates for Respondent Nos.5 to 9, 12 and 15 in WP/6152/2024.

Mr. Vishwajeet V. Mohite, Advocate for Respondent Nos.10, 11, 13 and 14 in WP/6152/2024.

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

**DATE : 15<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2025.**

**P.C. :**

Mr. Rahul Walia, the learned counsel who appears for the respondent nos.5 to 9, 12 and 15 in Writ Petition No.6152 of 2024 states that no notice was given to him. Mr. Vishwajeet Mohite, the learned counsel for the respondent nos.10, 11, 13 and 14 is also seeking an adjournment on the ground of non-availability of Mr. A.A. Kumbhakoni, learned Senior Counsel.

2. We would only indicate that Writ Petition No.6152 of 2024 came on Board on several occasions and in the meantime, interlocutory applications came to be filed and those were heard on 9<sup>th</sup> September 2025. The matter was fixed for final hearing on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2025. This matter was last listed on board on 13<sup>th</sup> October 2025 notwithstanding that Mr. Rahul Walia, the learned counsel for the respondent nos.5 to 9, 12 and 15 in Writ Petition No.6152 of 2024 has raised an objection to listing of this case.

3. Heard Mr. Ramesh Ramamurthy, the learned counsel for the petitioners in Writ Petition No.6152 of 2024. Mr. Rahul Walia, the learned counsel for the respondent nos.5 to 9, 12 and 15 in Writ Petition No.6152 of 2024 refers to the observations and findings in paragraph nos.37 and 39 of the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in "*K. Meghachandra Singh & Ors. v. Ningam Siro & Ors.*", (2020) 5 SCC 689.

4. To give one opportunity to Mr. Rahul Walia, post this matter on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2025.

**[ GAUTAM A. ANKHAD, J. ]**

**[ CHIEF JUSTICE ]**