

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

WRIT PETITION NO.1225 OF 2025

Ashok R. Panchariya

.. Petitioner.

Versus

Union of India & Another

.. Respondents.

Adv. Prakash D. Shah, Sr. Advocate with Adv. Nikhil Rungta, Adv. Lalit J. i/b. Adv. Nikhil Rungta, for the Petitioner.

Adv. Sagar Ambedkar, for Respondent No.1-UOI.

Adv. Suresh Kumar, for Respondent No.2

**CORAM: B. P. COLABAWALLA &
FIRDOSH P. POONIWALLA, JJ.**

DATE: JULY 28, 2025

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1 At the request of Mr. Suresh Kumar and in order to enable him to file an additional Affidavit in Reply, the above matter is stood over to 18th August 2025.

2 We direct that in the meanwhile and without prejudice to the rights and contentions of all the parties, the Income Tax Department shall not take any coercive steps against the Petitioner in relation to the Assessment Order challenged in the present Writ Petition.

3 Mr. Suresh Kumar has also submitted that there is an alternate
remedy of filing an Appeal which is available to the Petitioner. We will, on the
next occasion, also consider the arguments of alternate remedy and we make
it clear that we have not foreclosed the Department from canvassing the said
contention.

4 Stand over to 18th August, 2025.

5 This order will be digitally signed by the Private Secretary/
Personal Assistant of this Court. All concerned will act on production by fax
or email of a digitally signed copy of this order.

[FIRDOSH P. POONIWALLA, J.]

[B. P. COLABAWALLA, J.]