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\* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **W.P.(C) 5034/2025**

**SHAKHNOZA MAKHMUDOVA** .....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Zeeshan Rizvi, Ms. Syed Shahid  
Hussain Rizvi and Ms. Mariya,  
Advocates

versus

**COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS** .....Respondent

Through: Ms. Anushree Narain, SSC with Mr.  
Ankit Kumar, Advocate

**CORAM:**

**JUSTICE PRATHIBA M. SINGH**

**JUSTICE RAJNEESH KUMAR GUPTA**

**ORDER**

% **22.04.2025**

1. This hearing has been done through hybrid mode.
2. The present petition has been filed by the Petitioner- Shakhnoza Makhmudova under Article 226 and 227 of the Constitution of India, *inter alia*, seeking release of the gold jewellery *i.e.* 15 gold rings, 5 pair of earrings and 3 chains with gold pendant (hereinafter, 'goods') seized by the Respondent- Commissioner of Customs *vide* detention receipt bearing no. 4106 dated 29th March 2024 (New Detention Receipt No. 15438 dated 04th April 2024) (hereinafter, '*detention receipt*').
3. The case of the Petitioner is that he is a citizen of Uzbekistan. On 29th March 2024, the Petitioner arrived in India by flight no. HY421 at the Indira Gandhi International Airport, New Delhi.
4. Ld. Counsel for the Petitioner submits that there are various errors in the present petition and he would like to withdraw the same with liberty to file afresh.
5. The Court has noticed that there are various representations which the



Petitioner has made to the Respondent for communication of the order as well as for release of the goods. Neither of the said representations has received any response from the Customs Department.

6. In the overall facts and circumstances, instead of dismissing the present petition as withdrawn, this Court is of the opinion that the representations of the Petitioner can be considered by the department. Considering that there are a substantial number of gold items seized, let the Petitioner appear before the Customs Department for appraisal of the goods and for passing of orders in accordance with law.

7. The Petitioner is permitted to appear either personally or through authorised representative before the Customs Department. All rights and remedies of the parties are left open.

8. The hearing shall be conducted on 5<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 at 11:30 A.M.

9. The hearing notice for the said hearing shall also be communicated to the Id. Counsel for the Petitioner and also to the Petitioner at the following email address and mobile numbers:

- [advmariya10@gmail.com](mailto:advmariya10@gmail.com);
- 9650240991;
- 9520260225;

10. The petition is disposed of in above terms. Pending applications, if any, are also disposed of.

**PRATHIBA M. SINGH, J.**

**RAJNEESH KUMAR GUPTA, J.**

**APRIL 22, 2025**  
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