



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA  
AT CHANDIGARH**

**Sr. No.293**

**CWP-6210-2026**

**Date of decision: 28.04.2026**

Metal Traders

....Petitioner

Versus

Union Territory of Chandigarh and others

....Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK SIBAL  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE YASHVIR SINGH RATHOR**

Present: Ms. Urvi Khanna, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ajay Jagga, Addl. Standing Counsel with  
Ms. Neetu Kundu, Advocate  
for respondents No.1 and 2 – U.T. Chandigarh.

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**DEEPAK SIBAL, J. (Oral)**

1. It is undisputed that the show cause notice dated 25.09.2023 and the impugned adjudication order dated 29.12.2023 were both issued to a dead person, namely, Pritam Dass, who was the sole proprietor of the petitioner – Metal Traders.

2. In the light of the above, we have no hesitation in quashing both the show cause notice dated 25.09.2023 and the impugned adjudication order dated 29.12.2023 with liberty to the respondents to proceed afresh against Pritam Dass's legal heirs, in accordance with law.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner undertakes to supply a complete list of the legal heirs of Pritam Dass to the respondent –



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Department within 10 days from today.

4.           The petition is allowed in the above terms.

**(DEEPAK SIBAL)**  
**JUDGE**

**(YASHVIR SINGH RATHOR)**  
**JUDGE**

**April 28, 2026**  
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| <i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i> | <i>Yes/No</i> |
| <i>Whether reportable</i>        | <i>Yes/No</i> |