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

+ CONT.CAS(C) 1879/2025

GURPREET SINGH SONIK

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Lalitaksh Joshi and Mr. Sameer
Gupta, Advocates.

versus

SANDEEP LAMBA & ANR.

.....Respondents

Through:

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMIT SHARMA

ORDER

09.12.2025

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1. This hearing has been done through hybrid mode.

CM APPL. 77662/2025 (Exemption)

2. Allowed, subject to all just exceptions. The application is disposed of.

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3. The present petition under Section 12 of the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971 read with Article 215 of the Constitution of India, 1950, seeks the following prayers: -

“a. Initiate contempt proceedings against Respondents/ Contemnors for wilful disobedience of the judgment dated 29.08.2025 r/w corrigendum dated 11.09.2025 passed by this Hon’ble Court in WP(C) 13229 of 2025 titled as ‘Gurpreet Singh Sonik v. Commissioner of Customs’; and

b. Direct the Respondent / Contemnors to forthwith and immediately comply with the order dated 29.8.2025 r/w corrigendum dated 11.9.2025 passed by this Hon’ble Court in WP(C) 13229 of 2025 titled as ‘Gurpreet Singh Sonik v. Commissioner of Customs’ Penalize the Respondents/Contemnors for contempt of this Hon’ble Court;



c. Pass any further or other order as this Hon'ble Court may deem fit in the interest of justice.”

4. *Vide* judgment dated 29.08.2025 in W.P.(C) 13229/2025, the learned Division Bench of this Court passed the following directions: -

“11. In view of the above, as has repeatedly been held by this Court in several cases, the position of law is clear to the effect that the detention of the gold chain of the Petitioner is no longer tenable and the same is liable to be released.

12. Accordingly, the detention is set aside. Let the Petitioner appear before the Customs Department on 18th November, 2025 for release of the gold chain. In respect of the same, let the Petitioner contact the following officer who shall assist the Petitioner with requisite procedure:

**Officer: Mr. Sandeep Lamba, Superintendent,
Customs Address: Office of Commissioner,
Customs, IGI Airport, Terminal - 3, New Delhi
Mob. No: 7405345000
Email: igilegaldelhi@gmail.com**

13. The Petitioner shall, however, pay 50% warehouse charges, as applicable on the date of the detention.”

5. Subsequently, *vide* order dated 11.09.2025, the date for the petitioner to appear before the Customs Department was changed to 18.09.2025 instead of 18.11.2025.

6. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that despite the latter appearing before the Customs Department on 18.09.2025, item/article in terms of the aforesaid direction was not released.

7. On the petitioner taking necessary steps, issue notice to the respondents through all permissible modes, including electronic mail, if any, returnable on



24.04.2026.

8. Let a compliance affidavit be filed before the next date of hearing. In case of non-compliance, the concerned Officer shall remain present before the Court on the next date of hearing.

AMIT SHARMA, J

DECEMBER 9, 2025/bsr