

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

**WRIT PETITION NO. 8903 OF 2025**

BHALCHANDRA  
GOPAL  
DUSANE

Ashok S/O Dattatraya Phanse  
Since Decd Thr His Legal Heirs ... Petitioner

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V/s.

The Government Of India  
Ministry Of Defence Secretary  
And Ors ... Respondents.

Mr. Deepak C. Natu a/w Ms. Gayatri K. Soni i/by M/s N. Deepak and  
Co. Advocates for Petitioner.

Mr. Gaurav Mhatre, i/by Mr. Vinit Jain for Respondent UOI.

Ms. Kavita N. Solunkhe, Additional GP with Mr. S.L. Babar, AGP for  
State.

**CORAM : M.S. KARNIK &  
S.M. MODAK, JJ.**

**DATE : 28<sup>th</sup> April 2026.**

**P.C. :**

1. Leave to amend the cause title so far as Respondent No. 4 is concerned. Amendment be carried out forthwith. Learned AGP waives service for Respondent Nos. 3 and 4.

2. We request Mr. D.P. Singh, the Panel Counsel for Union of India to appear for Respondent Nos. 1 and 2 and seek instructions. Respondent No.5 is duly served.

3. Learned Counsel for the Petitioner assures that the copy of the Petition will be served upon Mr. D.P. Singh. Affidavit-in-Reply if any be filed within four weeks.
  
4. List this Petition on 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2026.

**(S.M.MODAK,J.)**

**(M.S.KARNIK, J.)**