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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION
WRIT PETITION NO. 2666 OF 2026

Radheyshyam Rander ...Petitioners
Versus
Union of India ...Respondents

Adv. V. Pranila, for the Petitioners.
Adv. R.K. Tomar, for the Respondents.
Mr. Gaurav S. Sarfare, for the Respondents.
Mr. Jitendra B. Mishra, a/w Ashutosh Mishra, Sangeeta Yadav,
Rupesh Dube for the Respondent No. - UOI.

CORAM: SUMAN SHYAM &
ADVAIT M. SETHNA, JJ.

DATED: 10th JUNE 2026.

PC:-

1. Heard learned counsel for the Petitioner.
2. Perused the grounds taken in Writ Petition. The impugned order dated 26th December, 2024 passed by the Respondent No.2 is under challenge in this Writ Petition primarily on three counts. Firstly, there has been inordinate delay in passing the impugned order. Therefore, in view of the decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the case of *Union of India and Ors. vs. GMR Airport Infrastructure Ltd.*¹, the impugned order is bad on such count alone. It is also contention of the Petitioner that failure on the part

¹ (2025)(5) TMI 320

of the Respondents to refer to the call book and also denial of opportunity to the Petitioner to cross-examination had a vitiating effect on the entire process.

3. The aforesaid issues in our opinion, raises questions of law, which have to be answered in the presence of the Respondents.

4. Issue notice to the Respondents returnable on 9th July 2026.

5. Mr. Mishra, learned counsel for the Respondent No.3 – Union of India waives notice for Respondent No.3. Court Notice be issued to the remaining Respondents. Petitioner to furnish copy to the Registry for issuance of notice. Private notice is also permitted. Hamdast is allowed. Petitioner to file affidavit of private service on record.

6. Heard on the prayer for interim relief. Having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case, as an ad-interim measure, we provide that until the returnable date, no coercive action shall be initiated against the Petitioner based on the impugned order.

(ADVAIT M. SETHNA, J.)

(SUMAN SHYAM, J.)