

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CIVIL APPEAL NOS.4588-4589 OF 2026

THE PRINCIPAL COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS Appellant(s)

VERSUS

M/S HINDUSTAN AERONAUTICS LIMITED Respondent(s)

O R D E R

Having heard the learned senior counsel appearing for the appellant, we are not inclined to interfere with the well reasoned order of the CESTAT, in the facts and circumstances obtained in the present case and particularly in the backdrop of respondent being a Government of India undertaking and also the documents which were procured which was the subject matter of the scrutiny by the Commissioner of Customs for classifying them as being top secret.

With the aforesaid observation, the civil appeals stand dismissed.

Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

., J
[ARAVIND KUMAR]

., J
[PRASANNA B. VARALE]

NEW DELHI;
APRIL 20, 2026

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[IA No. 108954/2026 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING
IA No. 108967/2026 - EX-PARTE STAY]

Date : 20-04-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARAVIND KUMAR
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PRASANNA B. VARALE

For Appellant(s) : Mr. N Venkataraman, A.S.G. [NP]
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Mr. Abhikalp Pratap Singh, Adv.
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For Respondent(s) :

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

The civil appeals stand dismissed in terms of the
signed order.

Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand
disposed of.

(KRITIKA TIWARI)
SENIOR PERSONAL ASSISTANT

(AVGV RAMU)
COURT MASTER (NSH)

{signed order is placed on file}