



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

COCp-2388-2025

Date of decision : 04.08.2025

M/s Dhillon Overseas

.....Petitioner

Versus

Sanjay Kumar and others

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEEL NAGU, CHIEF JUSTICE

Present: Mr. Saurabh Kapoor, Advocate (through video conferencing),
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ajay Kalra, Senior Standing Counsel, CBIC,
(through video conferencing)
for respondents No.1 to 3.

Ms. Tarranum Madan, Advocate,
for respondent No.4.

Mr. Abhinav Sood, Advocate (arguing counsel), and
Ms. Anmol Gupta, Advocate,
for respondent No.5.

SHEEL NAGU, CHIEF JUSTICE (Oral)

1. The present contempt petition alleges wilful disobedience of the interlocutory order dated 16.12.2024 passed in CWP-13014-2024.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner informs that despite furnishing of surety bonds by the petitioner on 20.03.2025 vide Annexure A-2 with



Deputy/Assistant Commissioner of Customs, ICD Adani, Ludhiana, the goods have not yet been released in terms of interim order dated 16.12.2024.

3. Shri Abhinav Sood, Advocate, appearing on behalf of respondent No.5, submits that surety bonds were furnished by the petitioner with respondent No.5 as late as on 09.07.2025. In this regard, the indemnity bond along stamp paper purchased on 09.07.2025 has been produced, which is taken on record as Annexure 'A'.

3.1 Learned counsel for respondent No.5 further submits that though goods are in possession of his client, but the same can be released only when Delivery Order is issued by respondent No.4, in light of circular dated 14.10.2025, bearing No. 24/2015 – Customs, issued by Government of India, Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue, Central Board of Excise and Customs.

4. Learned counsel for respondent No.4, on the other hand, contends that her client, who was respondent No.4 in CWP-13014-2024, was never issued notice in the writ petition. Therefore, he was unaware of pendency of the writ petition. It is informed that it is only on receipt of contempt notice that respondent No.4 came to know about pendency of CWP-13014-2024.

5. In view of the above, it is obvious that there is no deliberate non-compliance of interim order dated 16.12.2024 passed in CWP-13014-2024, on the part of the respondents. Therefore, this contempt petition is disposed of with direction to the respondents to ensure compliance of the aforesaid interim order, which continues to hold the field till date.

6. However, the petition is kept pending for the purpose of requisitioning the compliance report, which shall be submitted within a period



of 15 days, failing which this Court may initiate contempt proceedings against respondent No.4.

6.1 List on 28.08.2025.

(SHEEL NAGU)
CHIEF JUSTICE

August 04, 2025
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No