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WPA 27745 of 2026

Shri Satyendra Goel
-Versus-
Union of India & Ors.

Mr. Arijit Chakraborty.
Mr. Nilotpal Chowdhury.
... for the petitioner.

Mr. Kaushik Dey.
Mr. Gourab Karmakar.
... for the DRI authority.

Ms. Oisani Mukherjee.
... for the Union of India.

1. The petitioner is engaged in the business of import and export on the strength of IEC issued by the competent Government Authority.

2. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that on 12.07.2026, Respondent nos. 2 and 3 visited the residential premises of the petitioner and conducted a search, along with the other officers, under panchnama dated 12.07.2026.

3. During the search, no incriminating documents were found to be in violation of the Customs Act, 1962 (hereinafter referred to as the said Act). At the end of the search proceeding, a summons under Section 108 of the said Act, was issued by the authority concerned being Respondent no. 2, directing inter alia, the

petitioner to appear in person at the office of Respondent no. 3. The petitioner was arrested on 13.07.2026 and subsequently on 09.09.2026 the petitioner was enlarged on bail.

4. It is further submitted that in course of investigation, two Mobile Phones containing Mobile Nos. 9330133471 and 9830334713 belonging to the petitioner, were seized by the Respondent nos. 2 and 3.

5. While the petitioner was behind bars, the wife of the petitioner made a representation through e-mail on 21.07.2026 to release of the SIM Cards of the mentioned Mobile Numbers.

6. Despite repeated representations made before the authority concerned for the release of the SIM Cards, the petitioner has approached this Court for redressal.

7. Learned counsel appearing for the Customs Authorities places on record the instructions from the Assistant Director, being the senior officer of Director of Revenue Intelligence, Indore Zonal Unit, Indore dated 13.10.2026 that the petitioner may exercise the option of getting the duplicate SIM Cards issued.

8. Having heard the parties and upon perusing the materials on records, this Court has taken a judicial notice of the extraction of the

letter of the Assistant Director, of Director of Revenue Intelligence, Indore Zonal Unit, Indore dated 13.10.2026. This Court is of the considered view that the respondent authorities, being the Investigating Authorities, have already given a clean chit to the petitioner to opt for getting duplicate SIM Cards.

9. In view of the above, this Court finds that the grievance of the petitioner has already been redressed and the cause of action does not survive any more.

10. With the above observations, the writ petition stands disposed of with regard to issuance of duplicate SIM Cards.

11. Since no affidavit in opposition has been called for, the allegations contained in the writ petition are deemed to have been denied and not admitted.

12. Urgent Photostat certified copy of this order be supplied to the parties, if applied for, as early as possible.

(Smita Das De, J.)