

JUDGEMENT ANALYSIS

IN RE: SECTION 6A OF THE CITIZENSHIP ACT 1955 (MANU/SC/1118/2024; 2024 INSC 789)

Constitutional validity of Section 6A of the Citizenship Act, 1955

The Five judge constitution bench upheld the validity of Section 6A of the of the Citizenship Act, 1955 by 4:1 ratio.

Bench: CJI D.Y. Chandrachud, Justices Surya Kant, M.M. Sundresh, Manoj Misra, J.B. Pardiwala

Let's explore the viewpoint of the bench:

Issues	CJI D.Y. Chandrachud	Justices: Surya Kant, M.M. Sundresh and Manoj Misra Concurring with views expressed by CJI	Justice J.B. Pardiwala Dissenting View
Whether Section 6A of the Citizenship Act, 1955 is unconstitutional?	Section 6A is one pea in the pod of a long-time redressal of issues.	The statutory scheme of Section 6A is constitutionally valid but there is inadequate enforcement of the same. The Bench issued directions.	Section 6A suffers from the vice of manifest arbitrariness.