SUPREME COURT OF INDIA RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (Crl.) No(s).8164-8166/2021

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 03-11-2020 in CRLREVP No.1219/2019, 03-11-2020 in CRLREVP No.1220/2019, 03-11-2020 in CRLREVP No.1222/2019 passed by the High Court of Delhi at New Delhi]

MOHD. ARBAZ & ORS.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF NCT OF DELHI

Respondent(s)

WITH

SLP(Crl) No. 8496-8497/2021 (II-B)

(IA No. 164255/2021 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING AFFIDAVIT, IA No.164253/2021 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T., IA No. 164250/2021 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES, IA No.149482/2021 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES)

SLP(Crl) No. 8718/2021 (II-B) (IA No. 147020/2021 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES)

SLP(Crl) No. 355/2022 (II-B) (IA No. 7098/2022 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

SLP(Crl) No. 532/2022 (II-B)

SLP(Crl) No. 2666/2022 (II-B)

(IA No. 46867/2022 - APPLICATION FOR TAKING ON RECORD, IA No.53398/2022 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS, IA No. 46871/2022 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING AFFIDAVIT, IA No. 41462/2022 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT, IA No. 41461/2022 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES)

SLP(Crl) No. 5190/2022 (II-B) (IA No. 79259/2022 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT)

SLP(Crl) No. 11181/2022 (II-B)

SLP(Crl) No. 6876-6877/2022 (II-B) (IA No. 103181/2022 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES)

SLP(Crl) No. 11349/2022 (II-B) (IA No. 115643/2022 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL

DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES)

SLP(Crl) No. 6865-6866/2023 (II-B) (IA No. 105482/2023 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT)

SLP(Crl) No. 11628/2022 (II-C) (IA No. 41799/2023 - APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION, IA No. 52371/2023 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES)

SLP(Crl) No. 4107/2023 (II-C) (IA No. 41886/2023 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION, IA No. 5571/2023 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT, IA No.5572/2023 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

SLP(Crl) No. 1929/2023 (II-C)

SLP(Crl) No. 2562/2023 (II-B) (IA No. 39415/2023 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

SLP(Crl) No. 3850/2023 (II-B) (IA No.60330/2023-EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT)

SLP(Crl) No. 5744-5746/2023 (II-B) (FOR ADMISSION and I.R. and IA No.78045/2023-CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING and IA No.78046/2023-EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT)

SLP(Crl) No. 8610/2023 (II-C) (FOR ADMISSION and I.R. and IA No.134901/2023-EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT)

SLP(Crl) No. 12132/2023 (II-C) (IA No. 54745/2024 - APPLICATION FOR TAGGING/DETAGGING, IA No.179632/2023 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT, IA No. 179633/2023 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T., IA No.13190/2024 - INTERIM BAIL)

SLP(Crl) No. 12200/2023 (II-C)

Diary No(s). 41755/2023 (II-C)

(IA No.212952/2023-CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING and IA No.212951/2023-EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT and IA No.212953/2023-EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

SLP(Crl) No. 13327/2023 (II-C) (IA No. 212917/2023 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT, IA No. 212918/2023 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

SLP(Crl) No. 13501/2023 (II-C)

Diary No(s). 43791/2023 (II-C)

(FOR ADMISSION and I.R. and IA No.234690/2023-CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING and IA No.234689/2023-EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT)

SLP(Crl) No. 4333/2024 (II-C)

SLP(Crl) No. 3629/2024 (II-C)

SLP(Crl) No. 3446/2024 (II-C)

SLP(Crl) No. 11192/2024 (II-B)

(IA No. 183814/2024 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT, IA No. 183815/2024 - PERMISSION TO FILE LENGTHY LIST OF DATES)

SLP(Crl) No. 10939/2024 (II-C) (IA No.178921/2024-EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT)

SLP(Crl) No. 12542/2024 (II-C)

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

1. Learned counsel for the petitioners as well as learned State

counsel seek and are granted two weeks' time to formulate the questions that arises for consideration before this Reference Bench. While formulating the questions, the learned counsel shall focus on the irreversible consequences as also the mandatory nature of the procedural compliances, with a view to safeguard the interest of the accused as well as the prosecution.

- 2. All the learned counsel, appearing for the petitioners, shall handover their suggestions within 10 days to Ms. Ashima Mandla, AOR, who shall collate and place the same on record from the petitioners' side within two weeks. Similarly, all the learned counsel, appearing for the respondents, shall handover their suggestions within three weeks to Mr. Siddhant Sharma, AOR, who shall collate and place the same on record from the respondents side.
- 3. List the matters on 12.12.2024 at 2 p.m.

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- 4. Learned counsel for the petitioners seek and are permitted to withdraw the special leave petitions with liberty to approach the appropriate forum.
- 5. The special leave petitions are dismissed as withdrawn with liberty as aforesaid.

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ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

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ASSISTANT REGISTRAR