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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

CNR No. DLHC010396782026

+ **W.P.(CRL) 2572/2026 & CRL.M.A. 26055/2026**

HABIB

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Deepanshu Goswami,
Advocate.

versus

STATE OF NCT OF DELHI

.....Respondent

Through: Mr. Yasir Rauf Ansari, ASC with
Mr. Alok Sharma, Ms. Sonia
Malhotra and Ms. Pavitra Dixit,
Advocates.
SI K.L. Kuldeep and SI Dinesh.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PRATEEK JALAN

ORDER

% **24.08.2026**

1. By way of this petition under Article 226 of the Constitution, the petitioner seeks the the following reliefs:

"(a) Issue a writ or any other appropriate order or direction, directing the Ld. Trial Court, i.e., the Court of Ms Shilpi Jain, Ld. ASJ-02, Central District, Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi, to conduct the trial in SC No. 591/2023, titled "State Vs. Habib and Ors.", arising out of FIR No. 272/2023, PS Kashmere Gate, on a day-to-day basis, and to conclude the same expeditiously, and in any event within a time-bound period as this Hon'ble Court may deem fit;

And/ Or

(b) In the alternative, direct transfer of SC No. 591/2023, titled "State Vs. Habib and Ors.", arising out of FIR No. 272/2023, PS Kashmere Gate, to a Fast Track Court, for expeditious trial and disposal;

And/ Or

(c) Pass any such order and further order(s) as this Hon'ble Court may deem fit and proper in the facts and circumstances of the present case, in



the interest of justice.”

2. Issue notice. Mr. Yasir Rauf Ansari, learned Additional Standing Counsel, accepts notice on behalf of the State.
3. Mr. Deepanshu Goswami, learned counsel for the petitioner, submits that the petitioner has been in custody for a period of over three years, and only two out of fifteen witnesses have yet been examined. He submits that the trial is being delayed due to non-appearance of prosecution witnesses, as also due to delay at the instance of the co-accused.
4. Without getting into the merits of the matter at this stage, the Sessions Court is requested to consider the petitioner's request for expeditious disposal to the extent possible and practical, in accordance with its Board and age of matters pending before it.
5. In view thereof, no further orders are sought in this petition.
6. Accordingly, the petition stands disposed of, alongwith pending application, in these terms.

PRATEEK JALAN, J

AUGUST 24, 2026

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