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

CNR No. DLHC011071662025

+ **MAC.APP. 829/2025 & CM APPL. 82285/2025**

JIM PARKER RAJ

.....Appellant

Through: Mr. Krishnesh Bapat, Ms. Ishita
Chowdhary, Advocates.

versus

**SHYAMA & ORS. (RELIANCE GENERAL INSURANCE CO.
LTD.)**

.....Respondents

Through: Ms. Smita Bankoti, Mr. Ashish
Sheoran, Advocates for Respondent
nos.1-7.

Mr. Siddhartha Shankar Ray, CGSC,
Ms. Sonali Modi, Mr. Mukul Dev,
Advs. for UOI.

Ms. Suman Bagga, Ms. Mouli
Sharma, Advs. for Bajaj Allianz
General Insurance Co. Ltd.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANISH DAYAL

ORDER

31.08.2026

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1. The matter is being taken up today, since 27th August 2026 was declared as Court holiday in view of Notification no. 85/ G-4/Genl.-I/DHC dated 21st August 2026.

2. *Ms. Suman Bagga*, counsel for *Bajaj Allianz General Insurance Company Limited* [***Insurance Company***], states, on instructions, that the offending vehicle i.e. the *Honda City car* bearing registration no. 77-CD-190 was indeed insured by the Insurance Company in respect of '*third-party*



liability’.

3. *Ms. Suman Bagga*, counsel for Insurance Company, further states that since the aforesaid aspect was not before the Motor Accident Claims Tribunal, Patiala House Courts, New Delhi [*‘MACT/Tribunal’*], and has, therefore, not been considered by it, the matter be remanded back to the MACT for determination on basis of the said Insurance Cover.

4. Accordingly, impugned award dated 21st November 2025, passed by the MACT, fastening liability upon the driver and the owner of the offending vehicle, is set aside.

5. In view of the above, matter is remanded back to the MACT for fresh determination and directions.

6. Considering that the accident occurred way back in 2020, that the matter has remained pending since then on account of the issue being connected with the diplomatic mission, and that the claimants are yet to receive compensation, the MACT may dispose of the matter as expeditiously as possible, but certainly within a period of *five months*.

7. Notice had been issued to the Ministry of External Affairs [*‘MEA’*] *vide* order dated 03rd August 2026, in order to ascertain some aspects relating to the owner of the offending vehicle [*Mr. Donovan S. Johnson/respondent no. 9*].

8. *Mr. Siddhartha Shankar Ray*, Central Government Standing Counsel [*‘CGSC’*], appears on behalf of the MEA, and takes note of the aforesaid remand. He, states, on instructions, that they shall provide assistance to the MACT, if so required.

9. Needless to say, the parties shall have a right to examine and cross-examine witnesses.



10. Considering the history of this matter, the Court expects the parties to not seek unnecessary adjournments before the MACT.
11. List before the MACT on 15th September 2026.
12. Appeal stands disposed of, with above directions.
13. Order be uploaded on the website of this Court.

ANISH DAYAL, J

AUGUST 31, 2026/ak/ya