IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE P.SOMARAJAN

TUESDAY, THE 22ND DAY OF DECEMBER 2020 / 1ST POUSHA, 1942

RP.No.992 OF 2020 IN WP(C). 18199/2020

AGAINST THE ORDER/JUDGMENT IN WP(C) 18199/2020(Y) OF HIGH COURT OF KERALA

REVIEW PETITIONER/RESPONDENT NO.3:

THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR, CENTRAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, SPECIAL CRIME BRANCH, TC-175/5, "CBI OCR COMPLEX," MUTTATHARA, VALLAKADAVU, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM - 695 008

BY ADV. SRI. SASTHAMANGALAM S. AJITHKUMAR, SPL.P.P. FOR C.B.I.

RESPONDENTS:

1 **P.RAVEENDRAN PILLAI, ADVOCATE, AGED 69 YEARS, S/O PARAMESWARA PILLAI, "SAMANUWAYAM", T.C.4/1702, BELHAVEN GARDENS, KOWDIAR PO, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM-695 003**

2 **THE STATE OF KERALA, REPRESENTED BY THE CHIEF SECRETARY, GOVERNMENT SECRETARIAT, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM - 695 001**

3 **THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE, KERALA STATE POLICE HEAD QUARTERS, VAZHUTHACAUD, THIRUVANATHAPURAM, KERALA - 695 010**

THIS REVIEW PETITION HAVING BEEN FINALLY HEARD ON 22.12.2020, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY PASSED THE FOLLOWING:

ORDER

It is a review petition seeking clarification by the CBI whether registration of separate FIRs on every case of complaint is mandatory and what should be the procedure to be adopted during the course of investigation. This Court made it clear in the final verdict regarding the requirement of registration of separate FIRs and as such, no further clarification is required in that behalf.

2. Regarding the investigation, it is permissible for the investigating officer to have a joint investigation on all FIRs, if it is pertaining to the same or identical matters against the very same accused, for which, one among the FIRs can be treated as the leading one. The evidence collected and the statement recorded under Sections 161, 164 Cr.P.C. etc. in the leading case can be made available to all final reports.

With the abovesaid observations, review petition is disposed of.

Sd/-

P.SOMARAJAN
JUDGE

MSP