

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP No. 20658 of 2020

Date of Decision: 3rd December, 2020

Mrs. Rajni Aggarwal

....Petitioner

VERSUS

Union of India and others

....Respondents

CORAM: JUSTICE S. MURALIDHAR

JUSTICE AVNEESH JHINGAN

Present: Mr. Chander Shekhar Yadav, Advocate for the Petitioner.

Mr. Anshuman Chopra, Advocate for the Respondents.

Dr. S. Muralidhar, J.

1. The Petitioner has filed the present petition essentially seeking quashing of the summons issued to her by the Enforcement Directorate (ED) more than four months ago i.e. on 11th August, 2020 and three months ago on 1st September, 2020 requiring her to co-operate in the ongoing investigations in a case involving the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002.
2. The admitted position is that the Petitioner, who claims to be 69 years of age and suffering from ailments, has not even once answered any of the above summons. The Court does not see how merely because the Petitioner is required to attend the inquiry in the office of the Director, ED in Mumbai, it can interfere at this stage. The Court is of the considered view that the Petitioner should in the first instance cooperate in the investigation of the ED and thereafter seek appropriate remedies, as available to her in accordance with law.

3. The petition is dismissed with the above observations.

(S. MURALIDHAR)
JUDGE

3rd December, 2020
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(AVNEESH JHINGAN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No