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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
CRIMINAL WRIT PETITION NO. 4248 OF 2024

Shoaib Richie Sequeira ...Petitioner
Versus
The State of Maharashtra & Anr. ...Respondents

Mr. Aabad Ponda, Senior Advocate a/w Mr. Puru Jain & Ms. Rutui Soni i/b Jain Law Partners LLP for the Petitioner.

Mrs. P.P.Shinde, A.P.P for the Respondent-State.

Mr. H.S. Venegavkar, Spl.P.P a/w Mr. Ayush Kedia & Mr. Shantanu Nakashe for the Respondent No.2 – ED.

Mr. Bhushan Shah a/w Mr. Aakash Mehta, Mr. Abhishek Nair i/b Mansukhlal Hiralal & Co. for the Respondent No.3 – SEBI.

PI – Mr. Nitin Gije attached to Unit VII (Shares) EOW, Mumbai, present.

CORAM : REVATI MOHITE DERE &
PRITHVIRAJ K. CHAVAN, JJ.
DATE : 18th NOVEMBER, 2024

P.C. :

1. Pursuant to our order dated 16th October, 2024, Ms.Shinde, learned APP has tendered a letter dated 7th November,

2024 addressed by the Deputy Commissioner of Police, EOW-I, Mumbai to the Joint Director, CBI, EOB, Mumbai as well as the Joint Director of SFIO, Mumbai.

2. From the said letters, it appears that the EOW, Mumbai, has forwarded the complaint of the petitioner for further action to the CBI, EOB, Mumbai. The said letters dated 8th November, 2024 are taken on record. In the last paragraph of the said letters, it is stated as under :

“Upon perusal of the petitioner’s statement and the documents submitted, it is revealed that the alleged offences involved significant sums amounting to thousands of crores of rupees, span multiple jurisdictions, and implicate nationalized banks, a Mauritius-based private equity fund, and trans- boarder transactions with the USA, Australia, and the UAE. Therefore, these matters carry substantial financial implications at both national and international levels.

In the best interest of conducting a through inquiry / investigation, we are forwarding this matter to your esteemed office for appropriate action.”

3. In view of the aforesaid, learned Senior Counsel for the petitioner seeks leave to amend to implead the CBI and SFIO as party

respondents. Leave granted. Amendment to be carried out forthwith, during the course of the day.

4. On amendment being carried out, issue notice to the newly added respondents i.e. the Joint Director, CBI, EOB, Mumbai as well as to the Joint Director, SFIO, Regional Office, Mumbai, returnable on **25th November, 2024**. In addition to Court notice, learned Senior Counsel for the petitioner to ensure that the private notice is served on the newly added respondents and affidavit of service is filed in the Registry before the next date.

5. Stand over to **25th November, 2024**. To be listed under the caption 'Due Admission'.

PRITHVIRAJ K. CHAVAN, J.

REVATI MOHITE DERE, J.