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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED : 27.02.2024

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THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE N. ANAND VENKATESH

Crl.O.P No.4553 of 2024
and Crl.M.P No.3357 of 2024

Thutupalli Ravindra

.. Petitioner/Accused -4

vs.

1.State rep.by
The Inspector of Police
Central Crime Branch-1, Team 12
Bank Fraud Investigating wing
Chennai.

..1st Respondent/Complainant

3.Y.S.Raja Ranjith Kumar
S/o.R.Y.Sargunaraj
Branch Head
Kolathur Branch
Bank of Baroda
Chennai.

..2nd Respondent/De facto Complainant

PRAYER: Criminal Original Petition filed under Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, to call for the records pertaining to the FIR in Crime No.185 of 2023, on the file of Inspector of Police, Chennai, Central Crime Branch, Team-XII, Banking Fraud Wing, Chennai and to quash the same so far as this petitioner is concerned.

For Petitioner : Mrs.Chithra Sampath
Senior Counsel



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for Mr.K.Purushothaman

For R1

: Mr.A.Damodaran
Additional Public Prosecutor for R1

ORDER

This petition has been filed seeking to quash the FIR in Crime No.185 of 2023, pending on the file of Inspector of Police, Chennai, Central Crime Branch, Team-XII, Banking Fraud Wing, Chennai.

2. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Additional Public Prosecutor for the respondent police.

3.The contentions put forward by the learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner is purely factual in nature and this Court cannot venture into conducting a mini investigation into the matter and it therefore does not fall within the ambit of its jurisdiction under Section 482 of Cr.P.C. This Court must also bear in mind the parameters laid down by the Apex Court in *Neeharika Infrastructure Pvt.Ltd.*, case reported in **2021 SCC Online SC 315**. Any finding on facts will also have a bearing on the investigation conducted by the respondent Police.

4. In the facts and circumstances of the case, this Court is not inclined to interfere with the investigation conducted by the respondent Police at this stage.



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5. In the result, this Criminal Original Petition is dismissed and the respondent Police is directed to proceed further with the investigation in accordance with law and complete the investigation and file a final report or a closure report, as the case may be, within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. Consequently, connected miscellaneous petition is closed.

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Index : Yes/No
Internet : Yes/No
Speaking Order/Non-Speaking Order
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To

1. The Inspector of Police
Central Crime Branch-1, Team 12
Bank Fraud Investigating wing
Chennai.

2. The Public Prosecutor,
High Court of Madras,
Madras.

N. ANAND VENKATESH,. J.
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