



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA  
AT CHANDIGARH**

CWP-32244-2024

Date of decision : 29.11.2024

Harinder Pal Singh

.....Petitioner

Versus

Union of India and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEEL NAGU, CHIEF JUSTICE  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present: Mr. Sumeet Mahajan, Senior Advocate, with  
Mr. Saksham Mahajan, Advocate,  
Ms. Shruti Singla, Advocate, and  
Mr. Shrey Sachdeva, Advocate,  
for the petitioner.

Mr. Satya Pal Jain, Addl. Solicitor General of India, with  
Ms. Promila Nain, Senior Panel Counsel, UOI, and  
Ms. Harveen Mehta, Advocate.

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**SHEEL NAGU, CHIEF JUSTICE ( Oral )**

1. One of the principal grounds raised by the petitioner, while assailing the provisional attachment order passed by the Adjudicating Authority under Section 5 (1) of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002, is that the Adjudicating Authority, which is presently Single Member Body, ought to be a Multi Member Body.

2. It is not disputed at the Bar by learned counsel for the rival parties that the Apex Court is seized of the same issue, whereby said ground has been raised in C.A. No. 1548-1549/2024, SLP (C) No. 19466/2023, SLP (Crl.)



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No. 11548/2024, SLP (C) No. 7795/2024 and SLP (CrI.) No. 8530/2024, which are likely to be taken up in the second week of December, 2024.

3. In view of the above, it would be appropriate to wait for decision of the Apex Court in the aforesaid matters and in case, view taken by the Apex Court is adverse to the interest of the petitioner, he can always re-visit the Court.

4. With the aforesaid liberty, the petition stands disposed of.

( SHEEL NAGU )  
CHIEF JUSTICE

( ANIL KSHETARPAL )  
JUDGE

November 29, 2024  
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| Whether speaking/reasoned | Yes/No |
| Whether reportable        | Yes/No |