

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
CRIMINAL WRIT PETITION NO. 3631 OF 2024**

GTL Limited .. Petitioner
Versus
Central Bureau of Investigation & Anr. .. Respondents

**WITH
CRIMINAL WRIT PETITION NO. 3632 OF 2024**

GTL Infrastructure Limited .. Petitioner
Versus
Central Bureau of Investigation & Anr. .. Respondents

Mr. Aabad Ponda, Senior Advocate a/w Mr. Manoj Mohite, Senior Advocate a/w Mr. Sajal Yadav, Ms. Sonam Gupta, Mr. Apporva Agrawal, Mr. Prasad Lotlikar, Mr. Essaji Vahanvati, Mrs. Aparna Kulkarni, Mr. Suyash Gadre, Mr. Abhishek Thote and Mr. Shiva Pande i/by Mr. Harsh Ghangurde, Advocates for the Petitioner in Cri.WP/3631/2024.

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Mr. D. P. Singh, Senior Advocate, through VC a/w Mr. Sajal Yadav, Ms. Sonam Gupta, Mr. Approva Agrawal, Mr. Prasad Lotlikar, Mr. Essaji Vahanvati, Mrs. Aparna Kulkarni, Mr. Suyash Gadre, Mr. Abhishek Thote and Mr. Shiva Pande i/by Mr. Harsh Ghangurde, Advocates for the Petitioner in Cri.WP/6132/2024.

Mr. Kuldeep Patil a/w Mr. Sumitkumar Nimbalkar & Ms. Sanika Joshi, Advocates for Respondent No.1-CBI in both matters.

Mr. S. V. Gavand, Add. Public Prosecutor for Respondent No.2-State in both matters.

Mr. Nipun Gupta, SP-EO-1, CBI, New Delhi, Mr. MCR Mukund, Add.SP, EO-I, CBI, New Delhi and Mr. Shiva Archan, Dy.SP,EO-I, CBI, New Delhi present in the Court.

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**CORAM : SHREE CHANDRASHEKHAR, CJ &
GAUTAM A. ANKHAD, J.**

DATE : 5th DECEMBER 2025.

P.C. :

The original source of information and a copy of the assessment made by an officer of the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) in a sealed cover are produced in the Court. The said complaint was made on 14th July 2021. These documents are returned in a sealed cover to the Investigating Officer who is present in the Court.

2. Mr. Kuldeep Patil, the learned counsel for the CBI has taken us through the Forensic Audits Report at page page no.344 onwards. He has mainly argued on the basis of the counter affidavit filed on behalf of the CBI and emphasized that the matter is still under investigation. The learned counsel for the CBI, on instructions from the Investigating Officer who is present in the Court, states that wherever some doubt or suspicion had arisen, the Investigating Officer recorded the statements of a few of the directors of the vendor company and the auditors. The learned counsel for the CBI further states that the Investigating Officer has yet not formed his opinion and he is scrutinizing the materials on record. In course of the Preliminary Enquiry, commission of cognizable economic offence which affects the financial stability of the country was found and, therefore, the First Information Report has been lodged and now the CBI has a right to investigate the matter to take it to its logical conclusion.

3. Post the matter on 9th December 2025. To be listed first on Board.

[GAUTAM A. ANKHAD, J.]**[CHIEF JUSTICE]**