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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **W.P.(CRL) 1048/2024**

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.....Petitioner

Through: **Mr. Inder Dev Singh and Mr. Saksham, Advocates**

versus

THE STATE OF NCT OF DELHI & ORS.Respondents

Through: **Mr. Rahul Tyagi, ASC for the State along with Mr. Mathew M. Philip, Adv. SI Bajrang, DIU/Central, Daryaganj**

CORAM:

HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE MANMEET PRITAM SINGH ARORA

ORDER

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17.02.2025

1. This petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India r/w Article 227 of the Constitution of India & Section 483 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 ('Cr.P.C.) seeking the following prayer:

a) to issue necessary directions/ orders or invoke the writ of mandamus to the Ld. Trial Court to expedite the Trial Proceedings and to pass necessary orders and directions for speedy trial of Criminal Case no. 2252/2017 titled 'State v/s Gulshan Saluja & Another' in FIR No. 610 /2015, under section 323/ 325/ 354/ 506/ 509 & 34 of IPC registered at P.S. Paharganj, Central District, Delhi, and

2. Learned counsel for the Petitioner states that though the registration of FIR is of 11.09.2015 and the charge-sheet stood filed on 30.01.2017, however, the matter has remained pending at the stage of arguments on the point of framing of charge since 14.03.2017.



3. He states more than 8 years have been gone by and the trial Court has not proceeded for one or the other reasons.
4. Learned ASC for the Respondent no. 1/State submits that the State has no objection to the prayer sought in the petition for expeditious hearing.
5. He also states that the State will not seek any adjournment before the Trial Court.
6. Learned counsel for the complainant as well states that the complainant will not seek any adjournment and will cooperate in the expeditious hearing of the criminal case filed.
7. This Court has been apprised about the next date of hearing before the Trial Court, which is 18.02.2025, wherein the said Criminal Case no. 2252/2017 is pending.
8. In view of the aforesaid submissions made by the parties and particularly the fact that the matter has been pending at the point of charge for the last 8 years, following directions are passed:
 - 8.1. Learned Trial Court is requested to not grant any unnecessary adjournment to either parties including the accused.
 - 8.2. Learned Trial Court is requested to hear and decide the matter on point of charge preferably within a period of four (4) weeks from the date the present order is placed before the Trial Court.
9. With the aforesaid directions, the petition stands disposed of.
10. Pending applications (if any) are disposed of as infructuous.
11. It is clarified that issuance of directions is not an expression of opinion on the merits of the case.
12. The digitally signed copy of this order, duly uploaded on the official website of the Delhi High Court, www.delhihighcourt.nic.in, shall be treated



as a certified copy of the order for the purpose of ensuring compliance. No physical copy of order shall be insisted by any authority/entity or litigant.

MANMEET PRITAM SINGH ARORA, J

FEBRUARY 17, 2025/hp/ms/mt

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