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

\+ CRL.L.P. 727/2019 & CRL.M.A. 43433/2019

STEEL AUTHORITY OF INDIA LIMITED .....Petitioner

Through: Mr. H.S. Phoolka, Sr. Advocate with Mr. Alakh Kumar, Advocate

versus

MR. S.M. LATA & ORS. .....Respondents

Through: Mr. Rishabh Singhle, Advocate for R-2

CORAM:
HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE NEENA BANSAL KRISHNA

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% 06.08.2025

1. The present Criminal Leave Petition under Section 378(4) of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, has been filed on behalf of the Petitioner against the impugned Judgment dated 26.08.2019 of learned MM, Patiala House Courts, New Delhi in Complaint Case No. 180/2016 *vide* which the Respondents have been acquitted in the Complaint under Section 138 of the N.I. Act.

2. In view of the Judgment of *Celestium Financial vs. A. Gnanasekaran*, 2025 SCC OnLine SC 1320 and Order of this Court in CRL.L.P.215/2021 dated 23.07.2025, the present matter is disposed of with direction that the present Petition be treated as an Appeal under the proviso to Section 372 Cr.P.C and numbered accordingly.

3. In case there is Application pending for Condonation of Delay, the same be also transferred along with the entire record to be considered by the learned ASJ in accordance with law.

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4. The Registry is directed to transfer entire record of the case including the requisitioned copy of TCR, to the Learned Principal District & Sessions Judge, Patiala House Courts, New Delhi for marking it to the concerned Appellate Court/ learned ASJ, on 20.08.2025.

5. The parties are directed to appear before the concerned learned Principal District & Sessions Judge on 20.08.2025.

6. It is hereby clarified that there are no observations as to the merits of the case. All rights and contentions of the parties are left open to be agitated before the Court concerned.

7. In view of the above, the present Appeal is disposed of along with the pending Application(s), if any.

NEENA BANSAL KRISHNA, J

AUGUST 6, 2025
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