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

+ **W.P.(CRL) 2361/2025 & CRL.M.A. 25474/2025**

GOVERNMENT OF REPUBLIC OF DJIBOUTIPetitioner

Through: Mr. Raman Gandhi, Advocate.

versus

STATE OF NCT OF DELHI & ANR.Respondents

Through: Mr. Rahul Tyagi, ASC (Crl.) with Mr. Sangeet Sibou, Mr. Priyansh Raj Singh Senger and Mr. Aniket Kr. Singh, Advocates.
Inspector Priyanka, Crime Branch, Sunlight Colony.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV NARULA

ORDER

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19.11.2025

1. The Petitioner had earlier approached this Court by way of a writ petition [W.P.(CRL) 110/2024], which came to be disposed of *vide* order dated 22nd November, 2024, in the following terms:

“W.P.(CRL) 110/2024 & CRL. MA 34990/2024 (for directions by petitioner)”

1. By way of present petition, the petitioner seeks the following reliefs:

"a) issue a writ, order or direction inter-Alia pleaded in the nature of mandamus directing the Respondent No.2 to register an F.I.R. against one Sai Ramakrishna Karuturi for offence of money laundering and to conduct an investigation into the same ..."

2. Learned ASC (Crl.) appearing for the State submits that on the petitioner's allegations, an FIR bearing FIR No.135/2018 already stands registered.

3. Learned CGSC appearing for respondent No.2/UOI/ED submits that a Status Report has been placed on record, as per which, an ECIR



has already been registered in 2018 against Karuturi Global Limited, Mr. Sai Rama Krishna Karuturi, and others, for offence relating to money laundering, cheating and misconduct. It is further submitted that in the said proceedings, the statement of the petitioner/complainant has been recorded under Section 50 of PMLA as well as the statement of the accused, Mr. Sai Ramakrishna Karuturi.

4. Learned counsels for the respondents submit that the investigation conducted will be taken to its logical conclusion.

5. Considering the aforesaid, no further orders are required to be passed and the petition is disposed of accordingly alongwith pending application.

6. The already scheduled date, i.e., of 13.01.2025, stands cancelled.”

2. The Petitioner now contends that the investigation pursuant to the said ECIR has not progressed in an expeditious manner. On this basis, the Petitioner seeks the following reliefs:

- “(a) issue a writ, order or direction inter-Alia pleaded in the nature of Mandamus directing the Respondent No.2 to complete in a speedy manner, a fair and transparent investigation in respect of offence of Money Laundering committed by the accused Sai Ramakrishna Karuturi;*
- (b) issue a writ, order or direction inter-Alia pleaded in the nature of Mandamus directing the Respondent No.2 to take the investigation to logical conclusion including the discharge of responsibility by the Respondent No.2 to locate the Money Trail in the matter in respect of offence of Money Laundering committed by the accused Sai Ramakrishna Karuturi and*
- (c) To direct the Respondent No.2 to also undertake other coercive measures in accordance with the mandate of Prevention of Money Laundering Act in respect of offence of Money Laundering committed by the accused Sai Ramakrishna Karuturi.;*
- (d) For the purpose that the above objectives are achieved and fulfilled and thereby the Right of the Petitioner is secured, to Monitor over the actions of Respondent No.2 to compel Speedy, fair and transparent investigation taking it to logical conclusion as per the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act including tracing the Money Trail;”*

3. Mr. Rahul Tyagi, ASC (CrI.), submits that the first prayer sought is superfluous, as the investigation is necessarily required to be fair. He



submits that the matter is still at the investigative stage and assures the Court that the investigation shall be concluded expeditiously. Beyond this, in the opinion of the Court, this Court cannot monitor the investigation and accordingly the order passed on 22nd November, 2024, supplemented by the order passed today, are sufficient directions to the Respondents to carry out the investigation.

4. The Petitioner shall, however, be at liberty to avail appropriate remedies as permissible in law, if so advised.

5. The petition is disposed of along with the pending application.

SANJEEV NARULA, J

NOVEMBER 19, 2025

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