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

+ **W.P.(C) 107/2025**

ANTI-CORRUPTION FORUM (REGD)

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Ashok Kumar, Mr. C.S. Badyal,
Mr. Ankit, Ms. Reena Bharti and Ms.
Pooja Sharma, Advocates

versus

STATE (N.C.T. OF DELHI) & ORS

.....Respondent

Through: Ms. Sweety Singh, Advocate for R-
1/GNCTD.
Mr. Ishkaran Singh Bhandari, CGSC
with Mr. Rajat Mohan Dwivedi,
Advocate for R-4.

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HON'BLE THE ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TUSHAR RAO GEDELA

ORDER

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08.01.2025

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1. Exemption allowed subject to all just exceptions.
2. The application stands disposed of.

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3. The petitioner has filed the present petition *inter alia* praying as under:-

“It is, therefore, most humbly and respectfully prayed that this Hon'ble Court may be pleased to:-

(i) Issue an appropriate Writ, Order or Direction in the nature of Mandamus directing the Respondent Nos.1 to 4 preserve the evidences relating to the scam of the embezzlement of the public



funds by the respondent No.5 in criminal conspiracy with the respondent Nos.6,7 and 8;

(ii) Issue an appropriate Writ, Order or Direction in the nature of Mandamus directing the Respondent Nos.1 to 4 to transfer the enquiry and further prosecution from P.S.-Anti-Corruption Branch, Govt. of N.C.T. of Delhi to P.S.-Vigilance Unit, Delhi Police and also to complete the same within a time bound period.

(iii) Issue such other or further appropriate Writ, Order or Direction as this Hon'ble Court deems fit and proper, in the interest of justice."

4. The petitioner has referred to a newspaper report published on 29.11.2024 in Dainik Bhaskar, which indicates that the Irrigation and Food Control Department, Govt. of NCT of Delhi had awarded contracts for supplying, installation and commissioning of 100 number of water coolers with RO+UV systems in Sangam Vihar Assembly Constituency. It is alleged that the contractor who was awarded the said contract had received a sum of ₹36.62/- Lacs without installation of the water coolers. It is pointed out that the report indicates that a large number of water coolers had been installed in the same premises, which would obviously be incorrect.

5. It is the petitioner's case that there has been a large scale embezzlement of public funds on the pretext of ordering water coolers. It is in the aforesaid context that the petitioner prays that directions be issued to respondent nos. 1 to 4 to preserve the evidence relating to the said matter.

6. The learned counsel appearing for the respondent no.4 submits that a report has already been submitted by the Directorate of Vigilance to the Lieutenant Governor for sending the matter to Anti Corruption Bureau for an appropriate action. He submits that the authorities are investigating the allegations and necessary steps would be taken in accordance with law, if



any case of embezzlement is found.

7. In view of the above, no orders are required to be passed in the present petition. The same is disposed of.

VIBHU BAKHRU, ACJ

TUSHAR RAO GEDELA, J

JANUARY 08, 2025

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