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NC: 2026:KHC:62018
WP No. 6848 of 2023

CNR: KAHC010155082023

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 06TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE V SRISHANANDA

WRIT PETITION No.6848 OF 2023 (GM-RES)

BETWEEN:

SMT. ASHA VARMA,
WIFE OF SWAPNIL VARMA,
AGED ABOUT 33 YEARS
R/AT NO 609/31,
4TH BLOCK, 5TH MAIN,
RAJAJINAGAR,
BENGALURU -560 010

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI. MAINA VARMA, ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. STATE OF KARNATAKA
REPRESENTED BY CHIEF SECRETARY,
CYBER CRIME
VIDHANA SOUDHA,
BANGALORE - 560001

2. CEN CRIME POLICE STATION
NORTH DIVISION, BENGALURU CITY,
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OFFICE BUILDING,
2ND FLOOR, NORTH DIVISION,
BENGALURU -560 022

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SMT K.P.YASHODHA, ADDITIONAL GOVERNMENT ADVOCATE FOR R1 AND R2)

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Location: HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226 AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA R/W SECTION 482 CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE PRAYING TO DIRECTING THE

RESPONDENT NO.2 TO CONDUCT THE INVESTIGATION IN CRIME NO.0238/2022 AND ALSO FREEZE THE ACCOUNT BEARING NO.922010011568690, AXIS BANK, GURGAON, DELHI, IFSC CODE UTIBOOOO119 WHICH IS MAINTAINED BY THE FRAUDSTER KARAN AND TO SUBMIT THE REPORT BEFORE THIS COURT AS PER ANNEXURE-F AND J DATED 22.4.2022.

THIS PETITION, COMING ON FOR PRELIMINARY HEARING IN 'B' GROUP, THIS DAY, ORDER WAS MADE THEREIN AS UNDER:

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE V SRISHANANDA

ORAL ORDER

Heard Smt. Maina Varma, learned counsel for the petitioner and Smt.K.P.Yashodha, learned Additional Government Advocate for the State.

2. Petition under Articles 226 and 227 of the Constitution of India r/w Section 482 of the Code of Criminal Procedure with the following prayer:

> *"To issue a writ in the name of mandamus directing the respondent No.2 to conduct the investigation in Crime No.0238/2022 and also freeze the account bearing No.922010011568690, Axis Bank, Gurgaon, Delhi, IFSC UTIB0000119 which is maintained by the fraudster Karan and to submit the report before this Hon'ble Court as per Annexure-F and J dated 22.04.2022."*

3. Based on the complaint lodged by the petitioner herein, North CEN Crime Police, DCP North Division, Bengaluru City, registered the case in Crime No.0238/2022 on 25.04.2022 and filed 'C' report. The same is called in question by the petitioner herein stating that there is a perfunctory investigation and therefore suitable directions be issued.

4. *Per contra*, the Investigation Officer who was summoned before the Court has specifically stated before the Court that they tried their best in the facts and circumstances of the case and they are unable to get any further details and therefore they have filed 'C' report.

5. Smt.Yashodha, approves the said statement of the Investigation Officer and would contend that filing of the 'C' report is not the closure of the criminal case.

6. As and when further materials are investigated by the Investigation Agency appropriate report would be filed.

7. Taking note of above peculiar circumstances of the case, this Court is of the considered opinion that the prayer in the

writ petition cannot be granted at this stage as filing of 'C' report is not final to the investigation.

8. Accordingly, the following:

ORDER

i. Writ Petition ***dismissed***.

ii. Whenever there is further investigation and information available, petitioner may seek appropriate relief from the Investigation Agency/ Court, in accordance with law.

Sd/-
(V SRISHANANDA)
JUDGE

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