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

+ **W.P.(C) 2778/2024 and CM APPL. 11345/2024**

ZUNO GENERAL INSURANCE LIMITED & ANR.Petitioners

Through: Mr. Amar Gahlot, Mr. Prashant Singh
and Mr. Kushagra Gahlot, Advocates.

versus

**THE NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR SCHEDULED CASTES &
ORS.Respondents**

Through: Mr. T. P. Singh, Sr. CGC for R-1.
Mr. Ajit Warriar, Mr. Angad Kochhar
and Mr. Vedant Kashyap, Advocates
for R-3.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PURUSHAINDRA KUMAR KAURAV

ORDER

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1. The Petitioner no. 1 is a general insurance company registered with the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India, and petitioner no. 2 is the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of petitioner no. 1. Respondent no. 1 is a National Commission For Schedule Castes (**hereinafter 'The Commission'**), a constitutional body constituted under Article 338 of the Constitution of India, 1950. Respondent no. 2 is the complainant before the Commission.

2. The proceedings before respondent no. 1 emanate from a complaint filed by respondent no. 2 alleging non-payment of insurance claim arising out of a motor vehicle accident. Pursuant thereto, respondent no. 1 issued



summons directing personal appearance of petitioner no. 2. In response, petitioner no. 1 appeared through its authorized representative and submitted that the claim, if any, would be governed by the applicable statutory mechanism and that petitioner no. 1 would abide by any lawful award passed by the competent forum.

3. It is the case of the petitioners that despite their participation in the proceedings through authorized representation and their expressed willingness to cooperate, respondent no. 1, in its minutes of meeting dated 18.12.2023, issued directions requiring payment of compensation and thereafter, vide impugned order dated 08.01.2024, directed issuance of arrest warrants against petitioner no. 2 for securing his personal appearance. The petitioner, therefore, filed the instant petition with the following reliefs:

a. Issue a Writ in the nature of Certiorari or any other writ, order or direction under Article 226 of the Constitution of India quashing and setting aside (a) the proceedings before Respondent No. 1 bearing case no. 89/NCSC/2023 and File No. ESDW/IP/Jharkhand/20231149382, (b) the Impugned directions passed by the Respondent No. 1 in their minutes of meeting dated 18.12.2023, and (c) the Impugned order dated 08.01.2024 passed by the Respondent No. 1, whereby arrest warrants have been directed to be issued against the Petitioner No. 2 as being unreasonable, excessive and arbitrary; and

b. Issue a writ of Mandamus or a writ in the nature of Certiorari or any other appropriate writ or order or direction under Article 226 of the Constitution of India ordering and directing the Respondent to forthwith refrain from taking any further coercive steps against the Petitioner; and

c. Pass an interim order and/or an injunction pending the disposal of the above Petition, for: (i) ad-interim reliefs in terms of the prayers above; (ii) costs of this Petition

4. The Court finds that the facts and situation of the instant case are similar to the facts in W.P.(C) 1226/2024 titled as *Phonepe Insurance Broking Services Pvt. Ltd. & Anr. v. National Commission for Schedule*



Castes and Ors.

5. In view of the aforesaid, let the directions passed in W.P.(C) 1226/2024 today, be also made applicable to the instant case, *mutatis mutandis*.

6. Petition stands disposed of.

PURUSHAINDRA KUMAR KAURAV, J

FEBRUARY 11, 2026

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