IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE DEVAN RAMACHANDRAN

THURSDAY, THE 29TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2024 / 10TH PHALGUNA, 1945

WP(C) NO. 7238 OF 2024

PETITIONER:

MR. MUJEEB MANDEPURATH, AGED 45 YEARS S/O MOOSSA, MANDAYA PURATH HOUSE, VENNIYOOR, KARUMBIL, VENNIYUR PO, TIRURANGADI, MALAPPURAM, KERALA, PIN - 676508

BY ADVS.
DHEERAJ KRISHNAN PEROT
FIDHA NAVAS
VINEETHA A.A.

RESPONDENTS:

- 1 THE RESERVE BANK OF INDIA, BRANCH OFFICE, P.B NO 6507, NANDAVANAM, PALAYAM THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, KERALA REPRESENTED BY ITS GOVERNOR, PIN 695033
- THE BRANCH MANAGER, INDUSIND BANK, KOCHI BRANCH 8400, GOWRINARAYAN, 40, MAHATMA GANDHI RD, OPP. NEW JAYALAKSHMI SILK, SHENOYS, ERNAKULAM, KERALA, PIN 682035
- 3 ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF POLICE CYBER CRIME CELL, CENTRAL CRIME BRANCH, COMMISSIONER OFFICE CAMPUS VEPERY, CHENNAI, TAMIL NADU, PIN - 600007

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 29.02.2024, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

JUDGMENT

The facts involved in this case are covered by the judgment of this Court in **Dr.Sajeer V. Reserve Bank of India** [2024(1) KLT 826]. Since the learned counsel for the parties are *ad idem* on this, I allow this writ petition in terms of the said judgment.

Consequently, I order this Writ Petition with the following directions:

- (a) The respondent Bank arrayed in this case, is directed to confine the order of freeze against the accounts of the petitioner, only to the extent of the amounts mentioned in the order/requisition issued to them by the Police Authorities. This shall be done forthwith, so as to enable the petitioner to deal with his account, and transact therein, beyond that limit.
- (b) The respondent Police Authorities concerned are hereby directed to inform the Bank as to whether freezing of accounts of the petitioner in this Writ Petition will require to be continued even in the afore manner; and if so, for what further time, within a period of eight months from the date of receipt of a copy of this

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judgment.

(c) On the Bank receiving the afore information/intimation

from the Police Authorities, they will adhere to the same and

complete necessary action - either continuing the freeze for such

period as mentioned therein; or withdrawing it, as the case may be.

(d) If, however, no information or intimation is received by

the Bank in terms of directions (b) above, the petitioner will be at

full liberty to approach this Court again; for which purpose, all his

contentions in this Writ Petition are left open and reserved to him,

to impel in future.

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Sd/-

DEVAN RAMACHANDRAN
JUDGE

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Exhibit P1	TRUE COPY OF THE EMAIL NOTIFICATION DATED 19.01.2024
Exhibit P2	TRUE COPY OF THE COMPLAINT DATED 15.02.2024 MADE TO THE 3RD RESPONDENT
Exhibit P3	TRUE COPY OF THE COMPLAINT MADE TO THE 2ND RESPONDENT DATED 15.02.2024
Exhibit P4	TRUE COPY OF THE JUDGMENT DATED 25.09.2023 IN WPC 12960 OF 2023 ALONG WITH CONNECTED CASES