

Ct. No. 20/2023
ED Vs. M/s Alpine Minmetals India Pvt. Ltd.

08.07.2026

Present: Sh. Atul Tripathi, Id. SPP for ED alongwith
Advocate Sh. Shubham Mishra.
Accused No.1 M/s Alpine Minmetals India Pvt. Ltd.
is a company represented by accused No.2.
Accused no. 2 Gagan Shukla is present through VC.
Sh. Hemant Shah and Sh. Akshay Rana, Id. counsel
for accused no. 1 & 2.

PW Sh. Sameer Kapoor has appeared in pursuance
of summons. He has been examined as PW-1, cross-examined by
the Id. defence counsel and discharged.

PW Sh. B. S. Putta Raju has also appeared in
pursuance of summons.

Ld. SPP for ED has submitted that PW Sh. B. S.
Putta Raju does not understand either Hindi or English language
and he only understands 'Kannada' language. He has further
informed that the witness Sh. B. S. Putta Raju is accompanied by
Sh. B. S. Narayan Babu, who understands English, Hindi and
Kannada languages and he is willing to act as translator for the
witness for the purpose of recording evidence.

It is further submitted by the Id. SPP for ED that the
aforementioned Sh. B. S. Narayan Babu also assisted the
Investigating Officer in recording the statement of witness Sh. B.
S. Putta Raju during the course of investigation and Sh. B. S.
Narayan Babu can be act as translator for recording the evidence
of PW B. S. Putta Raju.

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The ld. defence counsel has submitted that the documents sought to be proved by PW B. S. Putta Raju are not disputed. He has further stated that he does not have any objection if Sh. B. S. Narayan Babu is permitted to act as a translator for the purpose of recording the evidence of PW B. S. Putta Raju.

I have heard the submissions.

The fact that the witness Sh. B. S. Putta Raju does not understand either Hindi or English has not been recorded in the chargesheet nor the IO had informed the said fact to the Court in advance. The said fact has come to the notice of the Court for the first time.

The documents sought to be proved by witness Sh. B. S. Putta Raju are not disputed and the defence also does not have any objection if Sh. B. S. Narayan Babu is permitted to act as a translator.

The translator, Sh. B. S. Narayan Babu has submitted that he is a graduate and is well conversant and proficient in Hindi, English and Kannada languages. He also stated that he does not have any connection with the company whose documents are to be proved on record. He is a relative of witness Sh. B. S. Putta Raju and is willing to correctly translate the questions to be put to the afore-stated witness and the answers given by him. Statement of translator Sh. B. S. Narayan Babu has been recorded to this effect.

Since the witness Sh. B. S. Putta Raju has travelled

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from Bangalore for the purpose of deposing in this case and the defence also does not have any objection, therefore, in the interest of justice, Sh. B. S. Narayan Babu is permitted to act as translator for witness Sh. B. S. Putta Raju for recording his evidence.

PW-2 B. S. Putta Raju has been examined in chief, cross-examined by ld. defence counsel and discharged.

Issue summons to PW no. 10 & 12 (as per list of prosecution witnesses) for next date of hearing.

Be put up for PE on **15.09.2026**. Date is given as per availability of ld. defence counsel.

SUSHANT CHANGOTRA
Special Judge (PC Act) CBI-22
Rouse Avenue Courts
New Delhi/08.07.2026