

ML Case no. 14 of 2025
CNR-WBCS01-000536-2025
Present: Sri Sudipta Kumar De
J.O. CODE NO.WB01136
Chief Judge,
City Sessions Court, Calcutta

Order no. 10 dated 18.08.2026

Today is fixed for appearance of accused/company and bringing order from the Hon'ble Apex Court.

Hazira has been filed on behalf of proposed accused/company nos. 1,2, 3 & 4 and their representatives are present before this Court.

Proposed accused person nos. 5, 6, 7 & 8 are present by filing hazira.

Ld. Special Public Prosecutor representing the Enforcement Directorate as well as the Ld. Advocates for proposed accused person/companies are present.

Ld. Advocate for proposed accused no. 1 files a petition stating that the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India has been pleased to stay the order passed by the Hon'ble High Court, Calcutta in the WPA no. 19510 of 2023 in SLP (c) no. 038378-/2025 registered on 23.12.2025 and the case is scheduled to be listed on 13.10.2026. So, he prays for passing necessary order.

Ld. Special Public Prosecutor verbally submitted that merely because the investigation of the predicate offence has been stayed by the Hon'ble Apex Court, there is no bar to proceed with the hearing of the PMLA case since the PMLA case itself is a standalone proceeding and the same is not dependent on the predicate offence.

To this submission, Ld. Advocate for the proposed accused/companies submitted that the existence of a scheduled offence is sine qua non for alleging the existence of proceeds of crime and therefore the instant case can wait at-least for the decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court while hearing out the SLP (c) no. 038378-/2025 finally.

In view of such rival submission, Ld. Advocates for both the parties are directed to come ready for hearing on the next date on the point, whether the instant case can be proceeded with, inspite of specific stay order passed by the Hon'ble Apex Court, by producing relevant judgments on this score.

To **02.12.2026** for appearance and hearing on the point stated above.

Let a copy of this order be sent to the Investigating Officer through the Ld. Special Public Prosecutor for information.

Dictated & corrected by me,

Chief Judge
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