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

+ **CRL.M.C. 935/2023**

KUNAL BAJAJ

..... Petitioner

Through: Mr. Akhilesh Thalluri, Advocate.

versus

POOJA SHARMA BAJAJ

..... Respondent

Through: Ms. Malavika Rajkotia and Mr. Ramakant Sharma, Advocates along with respondent in person.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJNISH BHATNAGAR

ORDER

03.03.2023

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CRL.M.A. 5716/2023

1. The present application has been filed by the applicant/respondent under Section 482 Cr.P.C. for release of maintenance amount of Rs. 20 lakh deposited by the petitioner with the Registrar General of this Court in terms of order dated 10.02.2023 passed by this Court.

2. Vide order dated, 10.02.2023, the execution petition against the petitioner was stayed, subject to deposit of Rs. 20 lakh with the Registrar General of this Court.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the amount has been deposited as directed vide order dated 10.02.2023, however, he objects the release of the said amount by contending that the



respondent is a well off lady and she can maintain herself.

4. On the other hand, it is submitted by learned counsel appearing for the applicant/respondent that this amount of Rs. 20 lakhs is only a part of amount due towards the arrears of maintenance which are more than Rs. 45 lakhs since 2013.

5. Looking into the entire circumstances of the case and the fact that execution was stayed subject to deposit of Rs. 20 lakhs, the application is allowed and the Registrar General of this Court is directed to release the amount of Rs. 20 lakhs in the bank account of the respondent/applicant after due verification. However, this amount shall be subject to adjustment one way or the other at the time of disposal of this petition.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the application stands disposed of.

RAJNISH BHATNAGAR, J

MARCH 3, 2023

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