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

+ **W.P.(CRL) 214/2019**

M/S DELHI PRESS PATRA PRAKSAHAN PVT LTD & ORS

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Amit Gupta Sr. Advocate with
Ms.Muskan Nagpal, Ms.Saumya M.
Tripathi, Advocates.

versus

STATE OF NCT OF DELHI & ANR

.....Respondent

Through: Mr. Amol Sinha, ASC with Mr.
Kshitiz Garg, Mr. Ashvini Kumar,
Mrs. Chavi Lazarus, Mr. Nitish
Dhawan, Advocates for State.
Mr. Nishit Kush, Mr. Siddharth Sikri
and Mr. Vishal Gupta, Advocates for
R-2.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PURUSHAINDR KUMAR KAURAV

ORDER

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29.07.2026

CRL.M.A. 40525/2019 (by Arundhati Bannerjee - for substitution as Respondent no. 2)

1. The instant application has been filed by the applicant seeking substitution of respondent no.2 by herself.
2. It is stated by learned counsel for the applicant that respondent no. 2 has expired and is survived by a daughter i.e. the applicant, and a son, however, the daughter wants to proceed with the complaint of respondent



no.2.

3. Though Mr. Amit Gupta, learned senior counsel for the petitioner opposes the application and contends that on demise of the original complainant, the complaint itself has been rendered infructuous.

4. The aforesaid submission made by Mr. Gupta can only be considered once the application for substitution of respondent no. 2 by legal representative is allowed.

5. Accordingly, reserving all rights and contentions of the parties including as to whether the complaint can be maintained by the legal representative, the Court deems it appropriate to allow the application and substitute respondent no.2 by daughter.

6. Let the amended memo of parties be placed on record within 7 days.

7. The application stands disposed of.

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8. List on 09.03.2027.

9. In the meantime, the petitioner shall be at liberty to appear through a Counsel or through Video Conferencing.

PURUSHAINDR KUMAR KAURAV, J

JULY 29, 2026

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