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IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI

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CRL.A. 419/2020

SAMITA BHARDWAJ

..... Appellant

Through: Mr. Tanveer Ahmed Mir, Mr. Saud Khan, Mr. Shourea Tyagi and Mr. J Judge Rohit, Advocates.

versus

THE STATE AND ORS

..... Respondent

Through: Mr. Tarang Srivastava, Advocate with Inspector Neeraj Chaudhary, Special Cell and Inspector Vipin Kumar, PS-Vasant Kunj, South.
Mr. Maninder Singh, Senior Advocate with Mr. Rajat Agnihotri and Ms. Simaran Chaudhary, Advocates for Nitesh Bhardwaj.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV SACHDEVA

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAVINDER DUDEJA

ORDER

21.03.2024

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CRL.M.As. 14602/2022, 4140/2023, 33879/2023

Exemption is allowed, subject to all just exceptions.

CRL.M.A. 14601/2022

1. Learned senior counsel appearing for respondent No.6/applicant submits that the subject application has been filed pursuant to liberty granted to the applicant by the Supreme Court by its order dated 02.05.2022 in Special Leave to Appeal (Criminal) 3809/2022, titled *Ritesh Bhardwaj Vs. State of NCT of Delhi*. He

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submits by the subject application, applicant contends that the appellant is not a 'victim' within the definition of Section 2 (wa) of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 and hence, the appeal is not maintainable at the instance of the appellant.

2. Issue notice. Notice is accepted by learned counsel for appellant, who submits that the appellant herself is a victim and the appeal is maintainable. He accordingly prays for time to file a reply. Let the same be filed within four weeks. Rejoinder within four weeks thereafter.

CRL.M.A. 13878/2023

3. Issue notice. Notice is accepted by learned counsel for appellant, who prays for time to file a reply. Let the same be filed within four weeks. Rejoinder within four weeks thereafter.

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4. List for consideration on 09.07.2024.

SANJEEV SACHDEVA, J

RAVINDER DUDEJA, J

**MARCH 21, 2024
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