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IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI

+ CS(OS) 642/2023, I.A. 20321-20322/2023, I.A. 113/2024, I.A. 115/2024 & I.A. 2128/2024

SONYA GHOSH

..... Plaintiff

Through: Mr. Shekhar Kumar and Mr. Aditya Raj, Advocates.

versus

RAJNEESH DEV & ORS.

..... Defendants

Through: Mr. Bankey Bihari, Advocate for D-1 and D-2.

Mr. A.K. Thakur and Ms. Anushruti Tripathi, Advocates for D-3 and 4.

Mr. Tejas Karia, Ms. Swati Agarwal, Mr. Mohit Singh and Ms. Priyanka Khosla, Advocates for D-5.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PRATEEK JALAN

ORDER

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01.02.2024

1. By an order dated 19.10.2023, the statement of defendant No.1 was recorded to the effect that no message, relating to the plaintiff would be posted on the WhatsApp group '*SOS from Dog trafficking*'. Mr. Bankey Bihari, learned counsel for defendant Nos.1 and 2, states that the said defendants are willing to give an undertaking to this effect.

2. Mr. A.K. Thakur, learned counsel for defendant Nos.3 and 4, who are the Residents Welfare Association of the locality in which the

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plaintiff and defendant No.1 and 2 reside, and its president, submits that the only allegation against the said defendants in the suit is that they forwarded a complaint, signed by approximately 250 residents of the colony, to the police authorities and the Animal Welfare Board of India. and posted their communication on a WhatsApp Group with the residents. They claim that they have not made any defamatory statements against the plaintiff.

3. Mr. Shekhar Kumar, learned counsel for the plaintiff, seeks time to take instructions as to whether a settlement on this basis is agreeable to the plaintiff.

4. In the meanwhile, the plaintiff and defendant Nos. 1 to 4 may also make an effort to settle their disputes in mediation under the aegis of Samadhan, Delhi High Court Mediation and Conciliation Centre, Shershah Road, New Delhi-110503.

5. The parties shall appear before the learned Mediator on 12.02.2024.

6. List before the Court on 13.03.2024.

PRATEEK JALAN, J

FEBRUARY 1, 2024

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