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

+ **W.P.(C) 3100/2022**

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.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Vivek Chib, Senior Advocate
with Mr. Anirudh Wadhwa,
Mr. Bhargav Thali, Mr. Debarsh
Chakravorty, Ms. Unnati
Jhunjhunwala, Ms. Bijaharini G. and
Ms. Mansi Gupta, Advocates.

versus

UNION OF INDIA AND ORS.

.....Respondents

Through: Mr. Anurag Ahluwalia, CGSC with
Ms. Hridyanshi Sharma, Advocate for
R-1.
Mr. Aseem Chawla, SSC with
Ms. Pratishtha Chaudhary, Advocate
for R-4.
Mr. Aseem Chawla, SSC with Ms.
Monica Benjamin and Ms. Priya
Sarkar, Advocates for Income Tax
Dept.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV NARULA

ORDER

% **14.11.2024**

**CM APPL. 66507/2024 (seeking suspension of operation of look out
circular no. 1/SIC(ACK)/ LOC/2021-6366 dated 06.07.2021 against the
Petitioner for the period between 25.11.2024 till 01.12.2024)**

1. The present application has been filed seeking interim suspension of
Look Out Circular ("LOC"), dated 06th July, 2021, issued against the



Petitioner at the behest of Respondent No. 4, so as to allow the Petitioner to travel abroad for the period from 25th November, 2024 to 1st December, 2024, in order to undertake travel for her personal commitments.

2. Mr. Vivek Chib, Senior counsel for the Petitioner, submits that the Petitioner herein is not a ‘fly by night operator’, and belongs to a reputed and prestigious business family. It is further submitted that the Petitioner/Applicant and her family not only own movable and immovable properties in India, but also occupy positions of responsibility in multiple publicly listed and private companies in India. Mr. Chib also points out that the Petitioner has been permitted to travel abroad on multiple occasion by this Court and on each and every occasion, prior to or after issuance of the LOC, the Petitioner, upon completion of travel, duly returned to India and in compliance of the conditions duly set out in the various orders.

3. Thus, for the foregoing reasons, it is prayed that the LOC dated 06th July, 2021, be suspended for a period between 25th November, 2024 to 1st December, 2024, so as to allow the petitioner to travel to Muscat (Oman), in the aforesaid period.

4. Issue notice. Counsel mentioned in the appearance above accept notice.

5. Considering the previous orders have been complied with, this Court is inclined to allow the application. The Petitioner is permitted to travel abroad from 25th November, 2024 to 1st December, 2024, subject to the following conditions:

- i. The sum of Rs. 50 lakhs already deposited by the Petitioner in this Court shall remain as security;
- ii. The Petitioner shall furnish her complete itinerary and shall also



furnish the details of her stay abroad, including residential hotel addresses before the Registrar.

iii. The Petitioner shall also provide the contact numbers that she would use during the period of stay abroad, and at least one of the said contact number will be kept operational at all times, subject to all exceptions, including the period she is on board the aircraft.

iv. The petitioner shall file a self-attested copy of her passport along with a copy of his visas in the Court on her return to India.

v. The permission to travel aboard given in this order shall be subject to other applicable conditions and will not be deemed as a direction to any other authority.

vi. The petitioner shall furnish an undertaking that upon her return to India, she shall participate in any proceedings against her and that she shall be bound down Courts/authorities, subject to any challenges thereof.

6. The present application is disposed of, with the aforesaid directions.

7. List before the Registrar on 21st November, 2024.

SANJEEV NARULA, J

NOVEMBER 14, 2024

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