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

+ **W.P.(C) 16827/2025 & CM APPL. 69154/2025**

SANJEET RAJORE

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Kartikeya Bhargava, Advocate
(M:8130834222)

versus

UNION OF INDIA

.....Respondent

Through: Mr. Iram Majid, CGSC with Mohd.
Suboor, Mr. Shivam Parashar, Ms.
Nasreen Khatooh, Advocates
(M:9643938332)

CORAM:

HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE MINI PUSHKARNA

ORDER

06.11.2025

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1. The present writ petition has been filed seeking directions for setting aside the Auction Notice dated 27th October, 2025, and subsequent E-auction process proposed to be held on 07th November, 2025.
2. Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submits that the impugned E-auction notice has been published in the newspaper only on 27th October, 2025, whereas, the said E-auction is scheduled to take place on 07th November, 2025. He, thus, submits that the said notice has not been published with at least 15 days prescribed period, as mandated by the Freight Circular No. 11 of 2022 dated 13th June, 2022. He, thus, submits that sufficient time has not been given to the prospective bidders like the petitioner, to participate in the upcoming auction.
3. Issue notice. Notice is accepted by learned counsel for the respondent.
4. Learned counsel for the respondent submits that the mandate of the



Freight Circular No. 11 of 2022, dated 13th June, 2022 is being duly followed, as the said notice was first published in the E-portal of the respondent on 23rd October, 2025. She, thus, submits that the auction, which is to take place tomorrow, i.e., 07th November, 2025, is clearly as per the stipulation of the aforesaid Freight Circular.

5. She further relies upon the judgment in the case of ***Tata Cellular Versus Union of India, (1994) 6 SCC 651*** to submit that judicial restraint is to be exercised in administrative action and that tender conditions would not be reviewed by the Court.

6. She further relies upon judgment dated 19th May, 2023 passed in ***Civil Appeal No. 3897/2023, titled as Tata Motors Limited Versus The Brihan Mumbai Electric Supply and Transport Undertaking (BEST) and Others***, to submit that the Supreme Court has laid down in clear terms that Courts, ordinarily should not interfere in the matters related to tenders and contracts.

7. Accordingly, let reply be filed by the respondent, within a period of four weeks from today.

8. Rejoinder thereto, if any, be filed, within a period of two weeks, thereafter.

9. It is clarified that no stay has been granted by this Court.

10. Re-notify on 02nd March, 2026.

MINI PUSHKARNA, J

NOVEMBER 6, 2025/au