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

+ **CONT.CAS(C) 1666/2025**

SANTOSH GOSWAMI

.....Petitioner

Through: Ms. Kritika Matta, Ms. Tanya Rose,
Adv. for Mr. Anuj Aggarwal, Adv.

versus

VINEET AGGARWAL & ORS.

.....Respondents

Through: Mr. Sujeet Kumar Mishra, Mr. Harsh
Kumar Pandey, Adv. for R-3.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMIT SHARMA

ORDER

07.11.2025

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1. This hearing has been done through hybrid mode.
2. The present petition under Sections 11 and 12 of the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971, seeks the following prayers: -

“a. Initiate contempt of court proceedings against the contemnors/respondents for deliberately disobeying the 04.07.2025 passed in Writ Petition [W.P. (C) NO. 17380/2022] titled "Santosh Goswami vs The Samarth School & Ors. by this Hon'ble Court and punish them in accordance with law;
b. Direct the contemnors/respondents to pay exemplary costs to the petitioner for being compelled to file the present petition; and
c. Pass any such other or further order which this Hon'ble Court may deem fit and appropriate in the facts and circumstances of the case and in the interest of justice.”

3. *Vide* order dated 04.07.2025 in W.P.(C) 17380/2025, learned Single Judge of this Court had passed the following directions: -

“6. As regards the payment of gratuity and leave encashment calculated on the basis of the last drawn salary, the School is



directed to release the same to the petitioner within the period of four weeks from today, as submitted by Mr. Sinha. As there is no explanation whatsoever for the delay in payment of these amounts, at least on the basis of the last drawn salary of the petitioner, the School is also directed to pay interest on the unpaid amounts, @ 9% per annum from the date of the petitioner's superannuation until the date of actual payment.

7. If there is any dispute regarding the quantification of the aforesaid dues, the petitioner may avail of her legal remedies, including before the appropriate authority under the Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972.”

4. An application bearing CM APPL. No. 50411/2025 in W.P. (C) No. 17380/2025, was preferred by the respondent/school, seeking extension of time. While disposing the said application, the learned Single Judge further extended the time given *vide* order dated 04.07.2025, by 4 weeks and the same reads as under: -

2. I have heard Mr. Rajesh Mohan Sinha, learned counsel for the applicants, and Ms. Kritika Matta, learned counsel for the petitioner. Ms. Matta opposes the application. However, in view of the circumstances mentioned in the application, the time for payment in terms of paragraph 6 of the aforesaid order, is extended by four weeks from today, failing which the petitioner will be free to pursue appropriate remedies for noncompliance. 3. The application is disposed of.

5. It is pointed out that subsequently, the respondent/school gave a calculation of Gratuity and Leave Encashment, however the same has still not been disbursed.

6. Issue notice.

7. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the respondent no. 3 accepts notice.

8. Issue notice to the respondent nos. 1 and 2, on petitioner taking



necessary steps, through all permissible modes, including electronic mail, if any, returnable on 09.01.2026.

9. Let a compliance report be filed before the next date of hearing.
10. In case of non-compliance, respondent no. 1 shall remain present in the Court on the next date of hearing.

AMIT SHARMA, J

NOVEMBER 7, 2025/kr/db