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IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI

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TEST.CAS. 101/2011

ANIL NARENDRA

..... Petitioner

Through: Mr. S. K. Sharma & Mr. Tejas
Singh, Advs. with PW1 in person

versus

STATE & ANR

..... Respondents

Through: Mr. Abhimanyu Sharma, proxy
cl. for R-2

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**JOINT REGISTRAR (JUDICIAL) MS. PRIYA
MAHENDRA, (DHJS)**

ORDER

% 22.05.2024

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1. The matter is listed today for further cross-examination of Mr. Anil Narender (PW1), who is present. However, adjournment is sought by learned proxy counsel for the respondent no.2 on the ground that learned leading counsel is not available today as he is engaged in another matter for final arguments. It is proposed to pass over the matter to 2 O'clock for recording of evidence of PW1. However, he submits that leading counsel is not available even post lunch at 2 pm.

2. It be noted that the matter is pending for disposal since the year 2011 and needs to be disposed of expeditiously.

3. It is well settled law that engagement of counsel in another court is no valid ground for adjournment and especially in case of an old matter. However, solely in the interest of justice and subject to imposition of cost of Rs.4000/- to be deposited with Advocate's Welfare Fund, the last and final opportunity is granted to the respondent no.2 to cross-examine the witness. It is clarified that no



further adjournment shall be granted to the parties in future unless absolutely necessary.

Re-notify the matter for further cross-examination of PW1 on 28.08.2024 at 12.30 p.m.

**PRIYA MAHENDRA (DHJS)
JOINT REGISTRAR (JUDICIAL)**

MAY 22, 2024/ab

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