

IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD**R/SPECIAL CIVIL APPLICATION NO. 10731 of 2023**

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THAKKAR VASUDEV KANAIYALAL
Versus
KUMAR MANGALALM BIRLA & ORS.

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Appearance:

PARTY IN PERSON(5000) for the Petitioner(s) No. 1

MR HARSHEEL D SHUKLA(6158) for the Respondent(s) No. 3

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CORAM:HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE NIRAL R. MEHTA

Date : 14/07/2025**ORAL ORDER**

[1] Heard learned Party-in-Person – Thakkar Vasudev Kanaiyalal.

[2] Mr. Thakkar has pointed out to this Court that despite there being many representations to the concerned authorities of the Department of Telecommunication with regard to breach of license and terms and conditions of respondent No.1 – Vodafone India Limited, no heed has been paid and thereby, no action has been taken on such representations. Thus, Mr. Thakkar has approached this Court by way of this petition.

[3] Mr. Thakkar further pointed out that on 26th March

2025, this Court has directed the respondent No.3 i.e. Secretary, Department of Telecommunication, New Delhi to file affidavit-in-reply. However, till this date, there is no compliance of the said order by the respondent No.3.

[4] *Prima facie*, this Court feels that the respondent No.3 is in contempt. Despite clear directions issued by this Court on 26th March 2025, there is no reply filed by the respondent No.3. The conduct of the respondent No.3 is serious in nature. The respondent No.3 has as such flouted the directions of this Court by ignoring the same and not filing the reply.

[5] In view of the aforesaid facts, respondent No.3 – Secretary, Department of Telecommunication, New Delhi is hereby directed to appear before this Court on the next returnable date i.e. on 28th July 2025 by way of Hybrid Mode and explain why the action including the contempt proceedings are not initiated.

[6] List this matter on 28th July 2025.

[7] Direct service is permitted. The Party-in-Person shall be

at liberty to serve by way of Email.

[8] In addition to the aforesaid, a copy of this order shall also be made available to learned advocate Mr. Harsheel Shukla appearing for the respondent No.3.

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(NIRAL R. MEHTA,J)