



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION**

**CONTEMPT PETITION NO.191 OF 2024
IN
WRIT PETITION NO.3193 OF 2018**

Veronica Johnson Pareira .. Petitioner

Versus

M/s. Ashwini General Hospital and Intensive
Care Centre .. Respondent

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- Mr. Ramesh Ramamurthy a/w. Mr. Saikumar Ramamurthy and Ms. Seema Sorte, Advocates for Petitioner.
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CORAM : MILIND N. JADHAV, J.

DATE : JULY 28, 2025

P.C.:

- 1.** Mentioned. Not on Board. Taken on Board.
- 2.** Perused the praecipe dated 28.07.2025 and the copy of Contempt Petition.
- 3.** Heard Mr. Ramamurthy, learned Advocate for Peititoner.
- 4.** The present Contempt Petition is filed for committing contempt of judgement dated 13.09.2023 directing Respondent / Contemnor to pay compensation of Rs.10,00,000/- in lieu of reinstatement, backwages and all other service benefits to Petitioner within a period of four weeks from the date of said judgement and with interest @ 6% per annum, if paid thereafter. The beneficiary / Petitioner before me is 60 years old.



5. I need not go into the merits of the case leading to passing of the judgement dated 13.09.2023 as this Court has computed the aforesaid amount on the basis of cogent reasons. The irony is that despite the said judgement, Respondent – Contemnor has shown scant respect for the same.

6. An arguable case has been made out by Mr. Ramamurthy for issuance of notice to Respondent. Hence, issue notice to the Respondent.

7. Humdast permitted. In addition to Court's notice, Petitioner is directed to serve the Respondent a copy of this order and copy of Contempt Petition forthwith and inform about the next date of hearing by any permissible mode of service and file appropriate affidavit of service with tangible proof thereof.

8. Respondent is directed to file Affidavit-in-Reply before the next adjourned date.

9. The Proprietor of Respondent – Hospital Dr. Manoj Mujumdar is directed to remain present in this Court on the next adjourned date at 11:00 a.m.

10. Respondent is directed to apprise the Court for non-adherence of directions contained in the judgement dated 13.09.2023 on the next adjourned date.



11. It is clarified that if Respondent is served and if Dr. Mujumdar fails to appear before the Court personally on the next adjourned date, appropriate steps shall be taken by the Court to secure his presence.

12. Stand over to **04th August, 2025.**

H. H. SAWANT

[MILIND N. JADHAV, J.]

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