

HIGH COURT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR AND LADAKH
AT JAMMU

OWP No. 997/2014 in
OWP No. 978/2008
a/w connected matters

Rakesh Kumar

.... Petitioner/Appellant(s)

Through:- Mr. Sunil Sethi, Senior Advocate with
Mr. Mohsin Bhat, Advocate

V/s

Union of India and others

.....Respondent(s)

Through:- Mr. Harshwardhan Gupta, CGSC

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. WASIM SADIQ NARGAL, JUDGE

ORDER

This Court vide order dated 20.04.2022 granted time to the learned counsel for the petitioner to file rejoinder and by virtue of order dated 31.05.2022, this Court has observed that despite availing last and final opportunity, the petitioner have not filed rejoinder and the right to file the same stood closed.

The matter was taken up on 29.10.2022 and another opportunity of two weeks' was granted to the petitioner to file rejoinder and again vide order dated 30.11.2022, two weeks' time was granted to file the same, failing which, it was observed that the right to file the same shall stand closed.

Mr. Sunil Sethi, learned Senior Counsel appearing for the petitioner has pointed out that he has a genuine difficulty in not filing the rejoinder.

In order to do the substantial justice, another opportunity of two weeks' is granted to the petitioner to file rejoinder, which however, shall

be last and final opportunity, subject to payment of cost of Rs. 1,000/-, to be deposited in Advocates' Welfare Fund.

It is made clear that in case, the needful is not done within the aforesaid period, the right to file the rejoinder shall stand closed and the matter shall be heard on the next date of hearing positively.

List on 03.03.2023.

Meanwhile, interim direction, if any, shall continue till next date before the Bench.

(Wasim Sadiq Nargal)
Judge

Jammu
21.12.2022
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