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CRL.P No. 14373 of 2025
C/W CRL.P No. 12082 of 2025
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AND 3 OTHERS

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 25TH DAY OF MARCH, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.NAGAPRASANNA

CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 14373 OF 2025

C/W

CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 12082 OF 2025

CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 12739 OF 2025

CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 14357 OF 2025

CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 14394 OF 2025

CRIMINAL PETITION NO. 14402 OF 2025

IN CRL.P No. 14373/2025

BETWEEN:

1. SAI PACKAGES
A PROPRIETORSHIP CONCERN
OFFICE AT MADHAPUR SAMIL
BHAIRABPUR PLOT NO.402 /705
KEONIJHAR
ODISHA - 758 001
ALSO HAVING ITS REGISTERED ADDRESS AT
PLOT NO.508, IN FRONT OF MIC-11/87
PATIA BHUBHANESHWAR
KHURDA - 751 024
REP BY ITS PROPRIETOR
MS. SUSMITA BEHERA
2. MS. SUSMITA BEHERA
D/O DINABANDHU BEHERA
AGED ABOUT MAJOR
KENDIJHARAGADA
KENDUJHAR TOWN

Digitally signed by
SANJEVINI J
KARISHETTY
Location: High
Court of Karnataka



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KENDUJHAR
ODISHA 758001

...PETITIONERS

(BY SRI. D.R. RVISHANKAR, SENIOR COUNSEL FOR
SRI. ANIRUDH, ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. M/S MULURA LOGISTICS PRIVATE LIMITED
A COMPANY INCORPORATED UNDER
THE COMPANY ACT 2013
HAVING ITS REGISTERED ADDRESS AT
NO.333, 3RD FLOOR
THIMMAIAH ROAD
VASANTH NAGAR
BANGALORE - 560 054
REP BY ITS AUTHORISED SIGNATORY
MR DHARAMVEER NIJAMKARI ABHIMANYU

...RESPONDENT

(BY SRI. SHIRISH KRISHNA, ADVOCATE)

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BETWEEN:

1. UTKAL STEEL AND POWER PVT LTD
A COMPANY INCORPORATED UNDER
THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013.
OFFICE AT DCB 718 AND 719
DLF CYBER CITY
PATIA, BHABANESWAR
ODISHA-751024
REPRESENTED BY ITS AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE
MR. SAROJ KUMAR SAHOO
ALSO HAVING ITS REGISTERED ADDRESS AT
PLOT NO.404/612 AND 406/613
...PETITIONER

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A COMPANY INCORPORATED UNDER
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HAVING ITS REGISTERED ADDRESS AT
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THIMMAIAH ROAD
VASANTH NAGAR
BANGALORE-560054
REP BY ITS AUTHORIZED SIGNATORY
MR.DHARMVEER N. JANKARI ABHIMANYU
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IN CRL.P NO. 12739/2025

BETWEEN:

1. SSAB ENERGY AND MINERAL
A COMPANY INCORPORATED UNDER
THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013.
REGISTERED OFFICE AT
PLOT NO. 404/612 AND 406/613,
2ND FLOOR, MADHAPUR
INFRONT OF ANKITA HOTEL
NEAR SUZUKI SHOWROOM,
KEONJHAR ODISHA - 758 001
REP. BY ITS SAROJ KUMAR SAHOO.

...PETITIONER

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AND:

1. M/S MULURA LOGISTICS PRIVATE LIMITED
A COMPANY INCORPORATED UNDER THE COMPANY
ACT, 2013, HAVING ITS REGISTERED ADDRESS AT
NO.333, 3RD FLOOR,
THIMMAIAH ROAD
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REPRESENTED BY ITS AUTHORISED SIGNATORY
MR. DHARAMVEER NIJAMKARI ABHIMANYU

...RESPONDENT

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IN CRL.P NO. 14357/2025

BETWEEN:

1. M/S HEMALATHA TRANSPORT
HAVING OFFICE AT
KHATA NO.391/89 THANA
NO.162 JHUMPURA KENDUJHA
ODISHA - 758 031
REP BY ITS SOLE PROPRIETOR
MR MANOJ KUMAR SAHOO
2. SRI MANOJ KUMAR SAHOO
S/O KHYAMAKAR SAHOO
AGED ABOUT 49 YEARS
R/A JHUMPURA BHALUKAKENDUJHAR
ODISHA - 758 032

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1. M/S MULURA LOGISTICS PRIVATE LIMITED
A COMPANY INCORPORATED UNDER THE
COMPANYACT 2013 HAVING ITS REGISTERED
ADDRESS AT NO333 3RD FLOOR THIMMAIAH ROAD
VASANTH NAGAR BANGALORE 560054
REP BY ITS AUTHORISED SIGNATORY
MR DHARAMVEER NIJAMKARI ABHIMANYU
...RESPONDENT

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(SCCH-21) MAYO HALL AT BENGALURU IN
C.C.NO.54001/2022 AND ALLOW THE APPLICATION FILED
BY THE PETITIONER U/S.91 OF CRPC 1973.

IN CRL.P NO. 14394/2025

BETWEEN:

1. M/S S S SERVICES
A PROPRIETORSHIP CONCERN OFFICE AT GROUND,
KHATA NO.11,
PLOT NO. 530, AT HUNDULA CHHAKA
NH 215, PO PALASPANGA
PS SADAR, HUNDUAL
KEONJHAR
ODISHA - 758 014
REPRESENTED BY ITS PROPRIETOR
SRI. SAROJ KUMAR SAHOO



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2. SRI SAROJ KUMAR SAHOO
S/O KHYAMKAR SAHOO
AGED MAJOR
KENJUUHAR
MADHAPUR
ODISHA - 78001

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CAUSES AND ACJM, MAYOHALL UNIT, BENGALURU IN
C.C.NO.52508/2022 AND ALLOW THE APPLICATION FILED
BY THE PETITIONER U/S.91 OF CRPC 1973.



IN CRL.P NO. 14402/2025

BETWEEN:

1. M/S SOUNDAMINI ROADWAYS
A PROPRIETORSHIP CONCERN
HAVING OFFICE AT
SHOP NO.10, NEAR MOCHIBAND SCHOOL
KEONJHAR
KENDUJHAR
ODISHA - 758 001

REP BY ITS PROPRIETOR
SRI ASHISH KUMAR BEHERA

2. SRI ASHISH KUMAR BEHERA
AGED MAJOR
OFFICE AT SHOP NO.10
NEAR MOCHIBANDH SCHOOL
KEONJHAR KENDUJHAR
ODISHA - 758 001

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THESE PETITIONS, COMING ON FOR ORDERS, THIS DAY,
ORDER WAS MADE THEREIN AS UNDER:

CORAM: **HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.NAGAPRASANNA**

ORAL ORDER

The conglomeration of these cases are between the same parties while the transaction remains different. The petitioners are the accused. The respondent is the complainant in all these cases. The transaction between the two leads the complainant to invoke the jurisdiction of the concerned Court under Section 200 of Cr.P.C. for offence punishable under Section 138 of the



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Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 on account of a cheque getting dishonored.

2. Heard Sri. D.R. Ravishankar, learned Senior counsel for Sri. Anirudh, learned counsel appearing for the petitioners and Sri. Shirish Krishna, learned counsel appearing for the respondent.

3. The issue in the *lis* does not pertain to the merit of the claim of the complainant or the defence of the accused before the concerned Court. Before the concerned Court, an application is filed under Section 91 of the Cr.P.C. seeking production of a forensic audit report that is in the possession of the complainant and the Directors to depose *qua* the forensic audit report. The concerned Court rejects the application on the score that if the report is not produced, adverse inference could be drawn while the reasoning of the concerned Court on the face of it is contrary to law.

4. The learned Senior counsel appearing for the petitioners would at this juncture submit that if the forensic audit report is directed to be placed before the Court by the



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complainant that would suffice and would not insist upon the Directors to be present.

5. The learned counsel appearing for the respondent submits that if it is only the case of forensic audit report to be produced, the complainant is ready and willing to produce it.

6. In that light, I deem it appropriate to dispose these petitions with a direction that the complainant shall place the forensic audit report before the concerned Court and the concerned Court to regulate its procedure and take the proceedings further to its logical conclusion.

7. On the production of the forensic audit report, the evidence shall continue in a manner known to law.

8. With the aforesaid observation, the petitions stand ***disposed.***

SD/-
(M.NAGAPRASANNA)
JUDGE

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