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CRR 265 of 2023

**T.V Today Network Limited & Anr.
-Vs-
The State of Bengal & Anr.**

For the Petitioner:

Mr. Rajdeep Majumdar. Adv.,
Mr. Rudrajit Sarkar, Adv.,
Mr. Antarikeya Basu, Adv.,
Mr. Sayan Mukherjee, Adv.,
Mr. Tamoghna Saha, Adv.,
Mr. Krishnendu Bhattacharya. Adv,
Mr. Lokenath Chatterjee, Adv.,
Mr. Priyankar Ganguly, Adv.,
Ms. Radhika Agarwal, Adv.

For the State:-

Mr. Soumendra Nath Mukherjee, Adv. Gen.,
Mr. Ayan Bhattacharjee, Spl. P.P.
Mr. S.N Mookerjee, Adv.,
Mr. Yash Singh, Adv.

Learned Advocate General is present. He has appraised all the quarries made by this Court. At the outset it is submitted by him that the Chief Minister did not tweet anything about pelting of stones in Vande Bharat Express in her official twitter handle. There might be an occasion when she referred to this matter in a public meeting.

In view of such submission made by the learned Advocate General, this Court requests him to make his submission on the issue as to whether any post made by a journalist in his twitter handle mentioning some incidents that took place on 2nd January, 2023 amounts to an offence for which Beliaghata Police Station Case No.8 of 2023 dated 6th January, 2023 under Sections 120B/153A/295A420/468/504/505(i)(b)/5059(2) of the IPC and Section 66D of the Information Technology Act, 2000 could be registered or not.

Learned Advocate General requests this Court to fix a specific date when he will give his valuable opinion with regard to the instant case.

Accordingly, fix 12th April, 2023 for further hearing of the matter.

Learned Advocate General be informed accordingly.

(Bibek Chaudhuri, J.)