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April 10, 2026.
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CRC 30 of 2025
in
FMA No. 1122 of 2025
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CAN 2 of 2025

Exide Industries Limited
Vs.
Umesh V. M.

Mr. Ashis Kumar Mukherjee,
Mr. Saurabh Prasad,
Mr. Sourojit Dasgupta

... for the appellant/petitioner.

1. From the office report, we find that a reply has been received from the Commissioner of Police, Kannur City, Kerala, pertaining to the arrest warrant issued against the contemnor.
2. From the said report, we find that satisfactory steps have been taken by the Commissioner of Police, Kannur City, Kerala, to trace out the contemnor.
3. However, despite their best efforts, the police have not yet been able trace out the said contemnor.
4. Accordingly, further time has been sought to execute the warrant.
5. We express *prima facie* satisfaction on the steps taken by the Commissioner of Police, Kannur City, Kerala and make it clear that the warrant issued against the contemnor shall remain in force until further orders.
6. A fresh report be sought from the Commissioner of Police, Kannur City, regarding further developments in

respect of tracing out the absconding contemnor within a month from date.

7. In the meantime, the learned Advocate appearing for the petitioner is granted leave to inspect the report furnished by the Commissioner of Police, Kannur City, which is made a part of the records, and to interact with the said Commissioner of Police, if necessary, for the purpose of cooperating with him in tracing out the contemnor.

8. Since we are apprised by learned counsel for the petitioner that very recently certain e-mails have been purportedly sent by the contemnor, the particulars of the said e-mails may be furnished by the petitioner to the Commissioner of Police, Kannur City, in order to facilitate early apprehension of the contemnor for the purpose of production before this Court.

9. Let the matter be listed next on May 15, 2026 for passing further orders.

10. At this juncture, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the contemnor has been sending threatening letters to the learned Advocate for the petitioner.

11. The petitioner is granted leave to file a supplementary affidavit bringing on record such purported threatening e-mails and/or other communications, for the Court to take note of the fact and pass appropriate orders in that regard on the returnable date.

(Uday Kumar, J.)

(Sabyasachi Bhattacharyya, J.)