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Court No.23
DL - 4
(PP)

**In the High Court at Calcutta
Constitutional Writ Jurisdiction
Appellate Side**

WPA 26661 of 2024

**Mukesh Kumar
versus
Union of India & Ors.**

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Mr. Dyutiman Banerjee

.... for the petitioner.

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Ms. Sayani Gupta

....for LIC.

Ms. Susmita Saha Dutta,
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.....for Union of India.

It is submitted by the parties that so far as the challenge as to Rules 7 and 8 of the Life Insurance Corporation of India Development Officers (Revision of Certain Terms and Conditions of Services) Rules, 2009 and the amendment thereto by 2016 Rules is concerned, there have been several judgments pronounced by various High Courts. Very recently, a judgment delivered by a Division Bench of the Allahabad High Court upholding the validity of the Rules has been challenged before the Hon'ble Supreme Court by filing a Special Leave Petition, the same has been registered as Diary No.6366/2025 filed on 4th February, 2025.

In the aforesaid condition, on the basis of the submissions made it will be prudent to adjourn this matter wherein the aforesaid rules are under challenge till the issue is decided by the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

Let this matter be adjourned till 3rd April, 2024.

The petitioner is free to file his affidavit-in-reply in the meantime with a copy to the learned advocate for the respondents sufficiently ahead of the next date.

The interim order, which is in subsistence, shall continue till 22nd April, 2025 or until further orders, whichever is earlier.

(Arindam Mukherjee, J.)