

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA  
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL APPEAL NOS.2068-2072 OF 2010  
(Arising out of SLP(Crl.) Nos.6995-6999/2010)

C.B.I., HYDERABAD Appellant(s)  
:VERSUS:  
B. RAMARAJU AND ORS. Respondent(s)

WITH  
CRIMINAL APPEAL NO.2073 OF 2010  
(Arising out of SLP(Crl.) No.7844/2010)

O R D E R

Leave granted.

We have heard the learned counsel for the parties at length.

This order will dispose of all these criminal appeals filed by the Central Bureau of Investigation against the orders dated 20.7.2010 and 18.08.2010 passed by the High Court of Andhra Pradesh at Hyderabad by which the respondents herein (accused Nos.1, 2, 3, 7, 8 & 9) were granted bail.

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According to the allegations of the appellant, the respondents - accused are involved in one of the greatest corporate scams of the commercial world. It has caused a financial storm throughout the country and the world over. Lakhs of shareholders and others have been duped and the corporate credibility of the nation has received a serious setback. We are deliberately refraining from making a detailed observation regarding the conduct of the respondents - accused because the trial is still pending and we do not want the trial to be

prejudiced in any manner.

Ordinarily this Court would be slow in cancelling the bail already granted by the High Court but in the extraordinary facts and circumstances of these cases, we are of the considered view that the impugned orders passed by the High Court granting bail to the respondents, cannot be sustained in law and the same are accordingly set aside.

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The respondents - accused are directed to surrender on or before 10th November, 2010, otherwise the appellants shall take appropriate steps in accordance with law.

We are informed that charges have been framed on 25th October, 2010 and trial is scheduled to commence with effect from 2nd November, 2010. In these circumstances, we deem it appropriate to direct the Trial Court to take up the case on day-to-day basis and conclude the trial of this case as expeditiously as possible, in any event, on or before 31st July, 2011.

The Trial Court would avoid granting any undue adjournments, unless it becomes absolutely imperative.

The Trial Court is directed to decide the case without being influenced by any observations made by the High Court or by this Court in this order.

The parties are directed to examine only material and most essential witnesses and fully cooperate with the Trial Court.



and office report)

WITH

SLP(Crl) NO.7844 of 2010

(With appln(s) for permission to file lengthy list of dates  
and office report)

Date:26/10/2010 These Petitions were called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK VERMA

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UPON hearing counsel the Court made the following

O R D E R

Leave granted.

The impugned orders passed by the High Court,  
granting bail to the respondents, are set aside and the  
appeals are disposed of in terms of the signed order.

The respondents - accused are directed to  
surrender on or before 10th November, 2010, otherwise the  
appellants shall take appropriate steps in accordance  
with law.

(A.S. BISHT)  
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(Signed order is placed on the file