IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE DEVAN RAMACHANDRAN MONDAY, THE 8^{TH} DAY OF JANUARY 2024 / 18TH POUSHA, 1945 WP(C) NO. 43388 OF 2023

PETITIONERS:

- 1 LAILA M
 AGED 40 YEARS
 W/O ABID AMBALI, DARUSSALAM, ELAMBACHI POST, KASARGOD,
 KERALA., PIN 671311
- ABID AMBALI
 AGED 50 YEARS
 S/O- AMBALI ARAVINDAKSHAN, DARUSALAM TRIKARPUR ELAMBACHI,
 KASARGOD, PIN 671311
 BY ADVS.
 T.S.SARATH
 MANU RAMACHANDRAN
 M.KIRANLAL
 R.RAJESH (VARKALA)
 SAMEER M NAIR
 SAILAKSHMI MENON
 JOTHISHA K.A.

RESPONDENTS:

- 1 UNION OF INDIA
 MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, NORTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI
 REPRESENTED BY ITS HOME SECRETARY. HM@MHA.GOV.IN, PIN 110001
- 2 NATIONAL CYBER CRIME REPORTING PORTAL
 REPRESENTED BY ITS NODAL CYBER CELL OFFICER, 3RD FLOOR,
 LAKDIKAPOOL, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA. ADDLDGPCID@TSPOLICE.GOV.IN, PIN 500004
- NATIONAL CYBER CRIME REPORTING PORTAL
 REPRESENTED BY ITS NODAL CYBER CELL OFFICER, CRIME
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- 4 INDIAN CYBER CRIME COORDINATION CENTRE
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- 5 STATE OF TELANGANA REPRESENTED BY ITS CHIEF SECRETARY, BLOCK C, 3RD FLOOR,

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- SECRETARIAT, TELANGANA, HYDERABAD CMO@TELANGANA.GOV.IN, PIN 500022
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- DIRECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE

 POLICE HEADQUARTERS, SECTOR-6, PANCHKULA, HARYANA

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- 9 CYBER CRIME POLICE STATION

 JAYABHERI PINE VALLEY, GACHIBOWLI, HYDERABAD, TELANGANA,

 REPRESENTED BY STATION HOUSE OFFICER

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- 10 CYBER CRIME POLICE STATION
 HORIZON DR, OPP. TWO HORIZON CENTER, HARIZAN COLONY, DLF
 PHASE, SECTOR 43, GURUGRAM, HARYANA, REPRESENTED BY
 STATION HOUSE OFFICER SHOCBRCRIMEWEST.GGN@HRY.GOV.IN, PIN
 122002
- 11 THE RESERVE BANK OF INDIA
 REPRESENTED BY THE DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER, RBI, BAKERY
 JUNCTION, NANDAVANAM, VAZHUTHACAUD, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM,
 KERALA CMS.BOTRIVANDRUM@RBI.ORG.IN, PIN 695033
- 12 BANK OF BARODA
 REPRESENTED BY ITS MANAGER, THRIKARPUR, NORTH
 THRIKKARIPUR, KASARGOD, KERALA VJTRIK@BANKOFBARODA.CO.IN,
 PIN 671310
- THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 08.01.2024, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

JUDGMENT

The facts involved in this case are covered by the judgment of this Court in W.P.C).No.12960/2023 and connected matters. Since the learned counsel for the parties are ad idem on this, I allow this writ petition in terms of the said judgment.

Consequently, I order this Writ Petition with the following directions:

(a) The respondent Bank arrayed in this case, is directed to confine the order of freeze against the accounts of the petitioner, only to the extent of the amounts mentioned in the order/requisition issued to them by the Police Authorities. This shall be done forthwith, so as to enable the petitioner to deal with their accounts, and transact therein, beyond that

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limit.

- (b) The respondent Police Authorities concerned are hereby directed to inform the Bank as to whether freezing of accounts of the petitioner in this Writ Petition will require to be continued even in the afore manner; and if so, for what further time, within a period of eight months from the date of receipt of a copy of this judgment.
- (c) On the Bank receiving the afore information/intimation from the Police Authorities, they will adhere to the same and complete necessary action either continuing the freeze for such period as mentioned therein; or withdrawing it, as the case may be.
- (d) If, however, no information or intimation is received by the Bank in terms of directions (b) above, the petitioner or such among them, will be

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at full liberty to approach this Court again; for which purpose, all their contentions in this Writ Petition are left open and reserved to them, to impel in future.

Sd/-

DEVAN RAMACHANDRAN JUDGE

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APPENDIX OF WP(C) 43388/2023

PETITIONER'S EXHIBITS:

Exhibit P1	A TRUE COPY OF THE NOTICE ISSUED BY THE 12TH RESPONDENT BANK TO THE 1ST PETITIONER DATED 12.07.2023
Exhibit P2	THE TRUE COPY OF THE COMPLAINT DETAILS OF THE 1ST PETITIONER RECEIVED FROM THE TELANGANA CYBER CRIME POLICE STATION DATED 09-06-2023 AND HARYANA CYBERCRIME POLICE STATION DATED 09-06-2023
Exhibit P3	A TRUE COPY OF THE NOTICE RECEIVED BY THE 2ND PETITIONER DATED 16-11-2023