IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CORRECTED

CIVIL APPEAL NO. 2809/2021

PHOENIX ARC PRIVATE LIMITED

Appellant(s)

VERSUS

NAVNEET JAIN & ORS.

Respondent(s)

With

Civil Appeal No. 4667 of 2021

and With

Civil Appeal No. 4668 of 2021

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All civil appeals, accordingly, stand disposed of.

Pending application(s), if any, stand disposed of.

[KRISHNA MURARI]

NEW DELHI; 06th APRIL, 2023

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SECTION XVII

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IA No. 83791/2021 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES

IA No. 83792/2021 - STAY APPLICATION)

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IA No. 87213/2021 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING AFFIDAVIT

IA No. 87212/2021 - STAY APPLICATION)

C.A. No. 4590/2021 (XVII)

IA No. 92677/2021 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING AFFIDAVIT

IA No. 92675/2021 - STAY APPLICATION)

Date: 06-04-2023 These matters were called on for hearing today.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KRISHNA MURARI HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE BELA M. TRIVEDI

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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

The Civil Appeals are disposed of in terms of the signed order.

Pending application(s), if any, stand disposed of.

(SONIA GULATI) (BEENA JOLLY)
SENIOR PERSONAL ASSISTANT COURT MASTER (NSH)
(signed order is placed on the file)