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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ W.P.(C) 6767/2021
AMIT LAL

..... Petitioner

Through: Dr. Amit George with Mr. Nitesh Mehra, Ms. Hitaakshi Mehra, Mr. Kartik Jain, Mr. Amol Acharya, Mr. P.Harold, Advs.

versus

DELHI STATE COOPERATIVE BANK
LTD. AND ORS

..... Respondent

Through: Mr. Rakesh Munjal, Sr. Advocate with Ms. Manit Moorjani, Advocate for respondent Nos.1,2 and 3.
Mr. Santosh Kr. Tripathi, SC, Civil, GNCTD with Mr. Arun Panwar and Mr. Siddhrth Kr. Dwivedi, Advs. for Respondent Nos.4 & 5.
Mr. Abhinav Sharma, Advocate for R-7
Mr. Aaditya Vijaykumar with Ms. Ayushi Kumar, Advs. for R-9.

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HON'BLE THE ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAVIN CHAWLA

ORDER

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18.04.2022

C.M. No. 21310/2021

Exemption allowed, subject to all just exceptions.

The application stands disposed of.

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The petitioner has preferred the writ petition in Public Interest alleging serious malpractices being adopted by the management of

respondent No.1 co-operative bank. The petitioner has placed on record, inter alia, copy of an order dated 20.07.2020 passed by the Registrar of Cooperative Societies directing conduct of an enquiry/ inspection under Section 61 of the Delhi Cooperative Societies Act. Respondent No. 4 has filed its reply, wherein, it is disclosed that *“a fact enquiry into the affairs of the bank was conducted by the Addl. Registrar, Office of the Registrar Cooperative Society and the report submitted to the Hon’ble LG, Delhi for decision. The Hon’ble LG has directed that the Directorate of Vigilance, GNCTD Delhi to inquire into the matter and take a decision. The office of the Registrar, as per the directions of the Hon’ble LG had forwarded the matter to the Directorate of Vigilance, Govt. of NCT of Delhi for further action as per the order of the Hon’ble LG, Delhi.”*

Counsel for respondent No.4 who appears, states that these enquiries/ inspections are still pending.

We find this position to be completely unacceptable. We direct respondent No.4 to expedite the conclusion of the pending enquiries/ inspections without any delay. The respondents are directed to file their respective counter affidavits within 3 weeks. The status of the pending enquiries/ inspections should also be disclosed by the respondents.

Let notice be issued to respondents not represented today, returnable on 27.05.2022.

VIPIN SANGHI, ACJ

NAVIN CHAWLA, J

APRIL 18, 2022
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