



### IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

**DATED: 26-12-2025** 

## **CORAM**

## THE HONOURABLE MR.JUSTICE V. LAKSHMINARAYANAN

## WP No. 50417 of 2025 AND WMP NO. 56431 OF 2025,WMP NO. 56433 OF 2025

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104, 22 nd street, Ashtalakshmi Nagar,

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Petitioner(s)

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## **PRAYER**

This Writ Petition is filed under Section 226 of the Constitution of India, to issue a writ of Certiorari, declaring that the exemption granted by the DGCA dated 5 December 2025 vide File No. DGCA- 22035/ 3/ 2022- FSD- Part(2) as illegal, void and quash the same, unconstitutional

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to dispense with the production of the original order granting exemption issued by the DGCA dated 5 December 2025 vide File No. DGCA- 22035/ 3/ 2022-FSD- Part(2)

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to stay the operation of the exemption granted by the DGCA dated 5 December 2025 vide File No. DGCA- 22035/ 3/ 2022- FSD- Part(2) pending disposal of the writ petition

For Petitioner : Mr.Sanjay Ghose

Senior Counsel for Mr.M.Ramesh

For R1 : Mr.ARL.Sundaresan

Addl.Solicitor General

Mr.K.B.Arun

Central Government Standing Counsel

## **ORDER**



Heard Mr.Sanjay Ghose, learned Senior Counsel for Mr.M.Ramesh, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr.ARL.Sundaresan, learned Additional Solicitor General for Mr.K.B.Arun, learned Central Government Standing Counsel for R1.

- 2. Admit.
- 3. Issue Rule Nisi
- 4. Call for records in four weeks.
- 5. The plea of the petitioner is that the extension to comply with Para Nos.3.11 and 6.14 of the Civil Aviation Requirements (hereinafter referred to as "CAR") has been granted to the second respondent, with respect to a particular Class of Aircrafts. He points out that under Rule 133A (1) of the Aircraft Rules of 1937, any order passed under Rule 133A(4) cannot be in inconsistent with the parent Act namely, Aircraft Act, 1934. He further points out that the impugned order dated 05.12.2025, granting the exemption, is contrary to the aforesaid Rule.
- 6. Mr.ARL.Sundaresan, learned Additional Solicitor General states that the exemption was granted by the Director General of Civil Aviation (hereinafter referred to as "DGCA"), taking into consideration that the second respondent was not in a position to comply with the requirements leading to large scale cancellation of flights. Mr.Sanjay Ghose states that the exemption was granted by the first respondent to the second respondent on account of expansion, without keeping in mind the Civil Aviation Requirements (CAR).
- 7. The request for grant of interim order can be considered after hearing the second respondent. The statement of Mr.ARL.Sundaresan that the DGCA is



working with the second respondent to ensure compliance with CAR is recorded.

- 8. Mr.ARL.Sundaresan states that the first respondent shall go on record by way of counter affidavit on 05.01.2025. The counter shall specifically state whether the first respondent intends to extend the exemption granted on 05.12.2025 for a further period.
- 9. Post on 06.01.2026 immediately after admission. In the meantime, Mr.M.Ramesh, shall complete the service on the second respondent. Private notice is also permitted.
- 10. In case, there is a standing counsel for the second respondent, the petitioner is also permitted to serve papers on the counsel in addition to the aforesaid modes of service.

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Index:Yes/No

Speaking/Non-speaking order

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Neutral Citation: Yes/No

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# V.LAKSHMI NARAYANAN, J.

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