M/S Chauhan Builders Raibareli vs The State Of Uttar Pradesh on 16 August, 2022

Bench: Hemant Gupta, Vikram Nath

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION Civil Appeal No. /2022

(@ Petition for Special Leave to Appeal (C)

M/S CHAUHAN BUILDERS RAIBARELI

VERSUS

THE STATE OF UTTAR PRADESH & ORS.

ORDER

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Leave granted.

The challenge in the present appeal is to an order passed by the High Court of Allahabad on 05.09.2018, whereby the writ petition filed by the appellant against the order of black listing the appellant from the panel of approved contractors was dismissed.

The appellant submitted its offer to carry out certain construction works in pursuance of tender notice dated 18.07.2012. However, in the process, there was allegation that the appellant used foul language against the officers of the State.

A show cause notice was issued. After consideration of the reply, the appellant was black listed vide order dated 07.02.2013. The challenge to the said order remained unsuccessful before the High Court vide order impugned in the present appeal.

It is conceded that while passing an order of blacklisting on 07.02.2013, no period of blacklisting was specified.

One cannot be blacklisted for life. The order of blacklisting to the extent that it has not specified the period cannot be Mukesh Nasa Date: 2022.08.18 13:12:18 IST sustained. Since the order was passed way back in 2013 and the writ Reason:

petition was dismissed on 05.09.2018, we deem it appropriate to exercise the powers under Article 142 of the Constitution to pass an order of blacklisting the appellant for a period of five years from the date the order was passed. However, it shall not debar the appellant from seeking fresh enlistment in accordance with law, so as to act as

contractor in respect of works to be advertised by the State. With the said modification, the appeal stands disposed of. It shall be open to the appellant to seek enlistment to the panel of Public Works Department.

AUGUST 16, 2022.

ITEM NO.29 COURT NO.8 SECTION XI

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Petition for Special Leave to Appeal (C) No.32840/2018

(Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 05-09-2018 in MB No. 12097/2013 passed by the High Court Of Judicature At Allahabad, Lucknow Bench) M/S CHAUHAN BUILDERS RAIBARELI Petitioner(s) VERSUS THE STATE OF UTTAR PRADESH & ORS. Respondent(s) (IA No. 180210/2018 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT IA No. 14303/2021 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T. IA No. 180208/2018 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.) Date: 16-08-2022 These matters were called on for hearing today. CORAM:

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Mr. Rajiv Mehta, AOR Mr. Ahanthem Hery, Adv.

Mr. Vivek Kumar, Adv.

Ms. Priyanka, Adv.

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following O R D E R Leave granted.

The appeal is disposed of in terms of the signed order.

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

(ARUSHI SUNEJA) (RENU BALA GAMBHIR) SENIOR PERSONAL ASSISTANT COURT MASTER (NSH) (Signed order is placed on the file.)