Anita Kathuria vs Assistant Commissioner Of Income Tax ... on 23 September, 2022

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Bench: Manmohan, Manmeet Pritam Singh Arora

\$~21 to 23, 1& 2 and 4 to 6. IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI 21 W.P.(C) 13725/2022 & C.M.No.41890/2022 ANITA KATHURIA Through: Mr. Varun Nagrath with Dodeja, Advocates. versus ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF INCOME TAX CIRCLE 28(1), NEW DELHI & ANR. Respo Through: Mr.Abhishek Maratha, Sr.Standi Counsel for the Revenue. 22 W.P.(C) 13728/2022 & C.M.Nos.41894-41895/2022 Petit KRISHNA KUMAR AGRAWAL Through: Mr.Ruchesh Sinha, Advocate. versus ITO, WARD 43(6) DELHI & ORS. Through: Mr.Puneet Rai, Sr.Stan for the Revenue. 23 W.P.(C) 13744/2022 & C.M.Nos.41954-41955/2022 JHAWAR LAL JAIN Mr.Mayank Pachauri, Ad Through: versus ACIT CIRCLE 49(1) DELHI & ANR.

Through:

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Through: Mr.Ruchesh Sinha, Advocate. versus INCOME TAX OFFICER WARD EXEMPTION 2(1) DELHI & ORS. Respond Through: Mr.Abhishek Maratha, Sr.Standing Counsel for the Revenue. W.P.(C) 13580/2022 & C.M.Nos.41385-41386/2022 KARTIK INFRATOWN PRIVATE LIMITED Through: Mr.Ruchesh Sinha, Advocate. versus Res ITO, WARD 14(1) NEW DELHI & ORS. Through: Mr. Abhishek Maratha, Sr. Sta Counsel for the Revenue. 4 W.P.(C) 13318/2022 & C.M.No.40420/2022 DEVESH ANAND Through: Mr.V.P.Gupta with Mr.Anunav Kumar, Advocates. versus Res INCOME TAX OFFICER Through: Mr.Sunil Agarwal, Sr.Standi Counsel for the Revenue wit Mr.Tushar Gupta and Mr.Utka Tiwari, Advocates. Signature Not Verified Digitally Signed By: JASWANT SINGH RAWAT Signing Date: 26.09.2022 19:19:04 5 W.P.(C) 13389/2022 & C.M.Nos.40654-40655/2022 SUNIL NOSARIA Through: Mr.Salil Kapoor, Advocat Mr.Sumit Lalchandani, Ms Kapoor, Mr.Sanat Kapoor Mr. Vibhu Jain, Advocates versus INCOME TAX OFFICER, WARD 21(1), DELHI Through: Mr.Ruchir Bhatia, Sr.Sta

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W.P.(C) 13397/2022 & C.M.Nos.40680-40681/2022 RITA SOMANI

Through: Mr.Manu K.Giri with Ms.S

Dodeja, Advocates.

versus

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF INCOME TAX AND ANR

Through: Mr.Abhishek Maratha, Sr. Counsel for the Revenue.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANMOHAN
HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE MANMEET PRITAM SINGH ARORA
ORDER

% 23.09.2022 C.M.No.41895/2022 in W.P.(C) 13728/2022 C.M.No.41955/2022 in W.P.(C) 13744/2022 C.M.No.41386/2022 in W.P.(C) 13580/2022 C.M.No.40655/2022 in W.P.(C) 13389/2022 C.M.No.40681/2022 in W.P.(C) 13397/2022 Exemption allowed, subject to all just exceptions. Accordingly, the applications stand disposed of. W.P.(C) 13725/2022 & C.M.No.41890/2022 W.P.(C) 13728/2022 & C.M.No.41894/2022 W.P.(C) 13744/2022 & C.M.No.41894/2022 W.P.(C) 13744/2022 & C.M.No.41954/2022 W.P.(C) 13464/2022 & C.M.No.40951/2022 W.P.(C) 13580/2022 & C.M.No.40654/2022 W.P.(C) 13318/2022 & C.M.No.40420/2022 W.P.(C) 13389/2022 & C.M.No.40654/2022 W.P.(C) 13397/2022 & C.M.No.40680/2022 Present writ petitions have been filed challenging the orders passed under Section 148A(d) of the Income Tax Act, 1961 (the 'Act') and notices issued under Section 148 of the Act as well as subsequent proceedings initiated pursuant thereto. In some of the petitions, petitioners have also challenged the CBDT Instruction No.1 of 2022 dated 11th May, 2022 authorizing the revenue to initiate the re-assessment proceedings for the Assessment Years 2016-17 and 2017-18 even when the income alleged to have escaped assessment is less than Rs.50 lakhs.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submit that the re-assessment proceedings are barred by limitation in terms of Section 149(1)(b) of the Act as the years under consideration are beyond the period of three assessment years in which notices were issued and the alleged income having escaped assessment is admittedly less than Rs.50 lakhs.

Issue notice. Learned senior standing counsel, as mentioned in the above memo of appearance, accept notice on behalf of the respondents- revenue. They pray for and are permitted to file their counter affidavits within four weeks. Rejoinder affidavits, if any, be filed before the next date of hearing.

List on 28th November, 2022 along with connected matters. Though the Assessing Officers are permitted to pass the assessment orders, yet it is directed that the same shall not be given effect to and shall be subject to further orders to be passed by this Court. Accordingly, the interim applications stand disposed of.

The contesting parties shall file their short written submissions not exceeding five pages each, at least a week prior to the next date of hearing. Mr.Salil Kapoor, Advocate on behalf of the petitioners and Mr.Puneet Rai, senior standing counsel on behalf of the respondents-revenue shall ensure that a compilation of relevant documents is handed over to the Court Masters along with the case law, at least a week in advance.

It is made clear that no adjournment shall be granted on the next date of hearing.

MANMOHAN, J MANMEET PRITAM SINGH ARORA, J SEPTEMBER 23, 2022 KA