

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
INHERENT JURISDICTION**

Contempt Petition (Civil) No 742 of 2020

in

Civil Appeal No 6711 of 2018

Krishan Kumar Gupta

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

Satinder Singh Bhasin @ Montu Bhasin & Anr

... Respondent(s)

ORDER

- 1 Notice was issued in the contempt proceedings on 11 January 2021. A breach was alleged of the order of this Court dated 16 December 2019; the allegation being that the payment schedule has not been adhered to.
- 2 In pursuance of the order issuing notice, a counter affidavit has been filed on behalf of the alleged contemnors.
- 3 We have heard Mr Amit Gupta, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr Vivek Kohli, learned Senior Counsel for the respondents.
- 4 The admitted position, as it emerges before the court, is that there was a delay of about a year in paying an amount of Rs 3,39,768 which was eventually paid over on 5 February 2021 by the contemnors. In addition to the above amount, it has been stated in the counter affidavit that an amount of Rs 21,49,104 was deposited with the income tax authorities, inclusive of interest towards TDS, which is reflected in Form 16.

5 In view of the above position and having regard to the delayed payment of the amounts which were due and payable, we are of the view that the ends of justice would be met if a lump sum payment of Rs 1,00,000 towards costs and expenses is directed to be made to the petitioner. The payment of Rs 1,00,000 shall be handed over to the petitioner within a period of two weeks from the date of this order.

6 Having regard to the compliance which has now been effected in the terms as noted above, it is not expedient to pursue the contempt proceedings any further. The apology which has been tendered on behalf of the respondents is accepted.

7 The Contempt Petition is accordingly disposed of.

8 Pending application, if any, stands disposed of.

.....J.
[Dr Dhananjaya Y Chandrachud]

.....J.
[M R Shah]

**New Delhi;
March 08, 2021**

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