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

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LAKSHMI MURDESHWAR PURI .....Decree Holder

Through: Mr. Maninder Singh, Sr. Advocate with Ms. Meghna Mishra, Mr. Tarun Sharma, Ms. Palak Sharma and Mr. Shreyansh Rathi, Advocates

versus

SAKET GOKHALE .....Judgement Debtor

Through: None

CORAM:
HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE MANMEET PRITAM SINGH ARORA

O R D E R

% 23.12.2024

EX.APPL.(OS) 2081/2024

1. This is an application under Order XXI Rules 41(2), 43 and 54 read with Section 151 of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 ('CPC') seeking directions, inter alia, in the nature of disclosures of the assets of the Judgment Debtor and attachment of the assets of the Judgment Debtor.

2. Issue notice to the Judgement Debtor through all permissible modes.

3. Let the notice state that the reply be filed within a period of two (2) weeks.

4. Rejoinder thereto, if any, be filed within a period of two (2) weeks thereafter.

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5. This is a petition filed under Order XXI Rule 10, 11(2) of CPC, seeking execution of the decree with respect to the final judgement and decree dated 01.07.2024 passed by this Court in CS(OS) 300/2021 titled **Lakshmi Murdeshwar Puri v. Saket Gokhale & Another**.

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6. Learned senior counsel for the Decree Holder states that the Court in the said judgment issued specific directions to the Judgement Debtor at paragraph '104' and '109', which reads as under: -

> "104. Accordingly, the very first thing that defendant No.1 is directed to do is to publish an apology in the following terms on his own Twitter-handle from which he had put-out the offending tweets, as also prominently in the Times of India newspaper (Delhi Edition, size : 6 cm x 7 cm on page 3) stating the following :
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> "Apology
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> I unconditionally apologise for having put-out a series of tweets against Amb. Lakshmi Murdeshwar Puri on 13th & 23rd June 2021, which tweets contained wrong and unverified allegations in relation to the purchase of property by Amb. Puri abroad, which I sincerely regret.
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> – Saket Gokhale"
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> ……
> …….
> 109. It is this court's view, that no amount of monetary award can truly compensate for damage to reputation, however upon a balance of all considerations, defendant No.1 is directed to pay to the plaintiff damages in the sum of Rs. 50 lacs within 08 (eight) weeks."

7. He states that the Judgement Debtor has due notice of the said judgement dated 01.07.2024, as is evident from the social media post dated 02.07.2024 available on the judgement debtor's handle.

8. He states that to the knowledge of the Decree Holder, no appeal has been filed by the Judgment Debtor assailing the judgement dated 01.07.2024 and no advance copy of the appeal has been served on the decree holder.

9. He states that an advance service of the execution petition has also been made on the Judgement Debtor.

10. None appears on behalf of the Judgement Debtor.

11. In the aforenoted facts, let notice be issued to Judgement Debtor though all permissible modes.

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12. The Judgment Debtor is directed to file an affidavit of assets in terms of Order XXI Rule 41(2) of CPC read with the Form No. 16A, Appendix-E of CPC within four (4) weeks making a full disclosure of all his movable and immovable assets, including the bank accounts and deposits in his name both from the date of accrual of the cause of action in favour of the Decree Holder (i.e., the date of filing of the plaint) and on the date of such disclosure within four (4) weeks.

13. List on 05.02.2025.

MANMEET PRITAM SINGH ARORA, J

DECEMBER 23, 2024/*rhc/MG*

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