OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL DISTRICT & SESSIONS JUDGE (SOUTH-WEST)
DWARKA DISTRICT COURTS, NEW DELHI

CIRCULAR

In terms of directions issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Criminal Appeal No. 5400-5401 of 2025 [arising out of SLP (Crl) Nos. 12376-12377 of 2023] & Criminal Appeal No. 5402-5403 of 2025 [arising out of SLP (Crl.) No. 12656-12657 of 2023] & Criminal Appeal No. 5404 of 2025 [arising out of SLP (Crl.) No. 2669 of 2024] titled "Central Bureau of investigation vs. Dayamoy Mahato etc.", conveyed to this office *vide* letter No. 1827-1838/DHC/Gaz.IB/G-2/ SC-Judgment/2026 dated 23.02.2026 of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi, New Delhi,, it is hereby directed that all Special Courts/Sessions Courts shall accord priority to cases arising under laws imposing a reverse burden of proof on the accused, by taking up such matters expeditiously, particularly those registered earlier in point of time.

Further, in respect of cases pending for more than five years, the concerned Courts shall take stock of the proceedings, pass detailed orders noting the causes for delay, refrain from granting routine adjournments and, where feasible, conduct proceedings on a day-to-day basis.

All Special Courts/Sessions Courts are also requested to furnish a report indicating the difficulties, if any, being faced by them in dealing with cases under laws imposing a reverse burden of proof on the accused, in this office, latest by 10.03.2026, for onward transmission of the consolidated report to the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi, New Delhi.

(Pankaj Gupta)
Principal District & Sessions Judge (S-W),
Dwarka Courts, New Delhi.

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Principal District & Sessions Judge (S-W),
Dwarka Courts, New Delhi.