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* IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI

+ W.P.(C) 16613/2025, CM APPL. 81665/2025
CELINA JAITLEY

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Sanjay Jain, Sr. Adv., Mr. Raghav Kacher, Mr. Ribhav Pande, Mr. Madhav Aggarwal, Mr. Suradhis Vats, Mr. Nishank Tripathi, Ms. Priya Tyagi and Ms. Rishika Agarwal, Advs.

versus

UNION OF INDIA

.....Respondent

Through:

Mr. Chetan Sharma, ASG, Ms. Nidhi Raman, CGSC, Mr. Arnav Mittal, GP, Mr. Amit Gupta, Mr. Subham Sharma, Mr. Naman, Mr. Akash Mishra and Ms. Shreya Aggarwal, Advs., UOI

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SACHIN DATTA

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23.12.2025

1. Pursuant to the previous directions issued by this Court, the respondent continues to have consular access to the detained person, i.e., Major (Retd.) Vikrant Kumar Jaitly.
2. Learned senior counsel for the petitioner seeks that the facility of a lawyer / law firm (who is locally accredited) also be made available to the detained person.
3. In the circumstances, after some hearing and with the consent of the respective counsel, it is directed that the Indian Consulate shall give a list of locally accredited lawyers / law firms who can represent the detained person, if the detained person so desires. The engagement of such representation



shall be subject to the detained person / his family arranging for the costs thereof. This aspect shall also be communicated to the detained person.

4. In case any local lawyer / law firm is willing to waive their fees / charges, the same shall be duly intimated to the detained person to enable him to make an informed choice.

5. The name of the local law firm that is willing to provide *pro bono* services may be specifically apprised to the detained person.

6. Let a fresh status report be filed before the next date of hearing.

7. List on 22.01.2026.

SACHIN DATTA, J

DECEMBER 23, 2025/cl