

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 7 of the Delhi High Court Act, 1966 and all other powers enabling it in this behalf, the High Court of Delhi, hereby makes the following amendments in rules contained in Chapter 5-B of High Court Rules & Orders, Volume V, namely :-

1. THE FOLLOWING SHALL BE SUBSTITUTED FOR THE EXISTING RULE 2 :-

2. **Party entitled to copies of records and exhibits.**

(i) A party to a suit or appeal or writ or any other proceeding he is entitled, at any stage of the suit or appeal or writ or any other proceedings, to obtain on payment copies of the record of the suit or appeal or writ or any other proceedings, including exhibits which have been put in and finally accepted by the Court in evidence.

Note : A party who has been ordered to file a written statement is not entitled to inspect or take a copy of the written statement filed by another party, until he has first filed his own.

(ii) **Grant of certain copies to strangers.** A stranger to the suit or appeal or writ or any other proceedings may, after decree or final order, obtain as a right on payment copies of the plaint, memorandum of appeals, petition, written statements, replies, affidavits and petitions filed in the suit of appeal or writ or any other proceedings, and may, for sufficient reasons shown to the satisfaction of the Court, obtain copies of any such documents before decree or final order.

(iii) **Grant of certain copies to strangers.** A stranger to the suit or appeal or writ or any other proceedings may also obtain as of right, on payment copies of judgments, decrees of orders, at any time after they have been passed or made.

(iv) **Grant of copies of exhibits to strangers.** A stranger to the suit or appeal or writ or any other proceedings has no right to obtain copies of exhibits put in evidence, except with the consent of the person by whom they were produced or under the orders of the Court.

(v) **Pertaining to matrimonial and family disputes, Contempt Matters and Rape cases:** A stranger has no right to obtain copies of any proceedings or documents in a suit pertaining to matrimonial and family disputes, contempt matters and rape cases.

- (vi) **Grant of translation.** Any person entitled to obtain a copy of a judicial record may apply for a translation thereof.

Note: These amendments shall come into force with immediate effect.

By Order of the Court
Sd/-
(BHARAT BHUSHAN)
REGISTRAR GENERAL