

ITEM NO.11 Court No.1 (Video Conferencing) SECTION XI

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

SPECIAL LEAVE PETITION (CIVIL) Diary No(s). 10862/2021

(Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 19-04-2021 in PIL No. 574/2020 passed by the High Court Of Judicature At Allahabad)

THE STATE OF UTTAR PRADESH Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT ALLAHABAD Respondent(s)

Date : 20-04-2021 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A.S. BOPANNA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE V. RAMASUBRAMANIAN

For Petitioner(s) Mr. Tushar Mehta, Ld. SG
Mrs. Garima Prashad, AAG
Mr. Rajat Nair, Adv.
Mr. Abhinav Agrawal, AOR

For Respondent(s) Mr. Talha Abdul Rahman, AOR

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

Mr. Tushar Mehta, learned Solicitor General of India, seeks permission to delete the name of respondent no. 1, i.e., High Court of Judicature at Allahabad from the array of the parties.

Prayer is allowed.

The name of respondent no.1 is deleted from the array of the parties.

Mr. Mehta, learned Solicitor General, states that the State Government has issued several directions to contain the spread of Corona Virus and are taking adequate precautions at their own. He further submits that the directions issued by the High Court vide the impugned order are as rigorous as a lockdown though the High Court has observed that "they are nowhere close to a complete lockdown".

Issue notice.

Until further orders, there shall be an *ad interim* stay of the impugned order passed by the High Court.

However, the petitioner - State Government shall immediately report to the High Court about the steps it has taken and proposes to take in the immediate future within a period of one week in view of the current pandemic.

We appoint Mr. P.S. Narasimha, learned Senior Counsel, as Amicus Curiae to assist the Court in the matter.

The Registry of this Court is directed to furnish a copy of the present petition to the learned Amicus Curiae forthwith.

Put up after two weeks.

(SANJAY KUMAR-II)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(PRADEEP KUMAR)
BRANCH OFFICER