ITEM NO.28 COURT NO.6 SECTION XI

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

Petition for Special Leave to Appeal (C) No.38143/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 26-10-2026 in PIL No. 996/2026 passed by the High Court of Judicature at Allahabad, Lucknow Bench]

ELDERS COMMITTEE, OUDH BAR ASSOCIATION Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

GIRDHARI LAL YADAV & ORS. Respondent(s)

(IA No. 339829/2026 – INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT, IA No. 339820/2026 – INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT, IA No. 339803/2026 – INTERVENTION/ IMPLEADMENT AND IA No. 339938/2026 - INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT)

Date : 26-11-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE J.B. PARDIWALA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K. VINOD CHANDRAN

For Petitioner(s) :
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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

1. **We were surprised as to how a Public Interest Litigation was taken up by the High Court of Judicature at Allahabad, at Lucknow to regulate the elections to the Governing Body of the Oudh Bar Association.**

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2. **Sri Jaideep Gupta, learned Senior Counsel appearing for the petitioner herein submits that his instructing Counsel informed him that the petitioners have acknowledged the election to the Oudh Bar Association held on 28.10.2026, the results of which were declared on 29.10.2026. The elected members have taken charge after certificates were distributed by the Elders Committee of the Oudh Bar Association, High Court at Lucknow Bench. Though, the directions issued cannot be sustained, in the circumstances noticed above, it has been resolved as hereinabove stated by the Elders Committee of the Oudh Bar Association that while not giving up the challenge against the order itself, there is no challenge to the election.**

3. **As we noticed, we are surprised as to how the PIL was taken up to regulate the elections to the Bar Association in which directions were issued to eliminate certain persons who did not have certificate of practice, especially without hearing them and directions issued to the High Court on the Administrative side, to take cognizance of the ensuing elections and ensure that the outsiders and persons not entitled to vote are not allowed to enter into the area where the election is to take place.**

4. **First of all, the elections to the Bar Association could not have been regulated by the judicial orders passed by the High Court under Article 226 of the Constitution of India; especially in a PIL, when the petitioner, who is an Advocate cannot be said to be representing the cause of people who are marginalized or who do not have access to the Courts.**

5. **We were about to close the proceedings, making the above observations, when some interveners appeared and took up cudgels against individual candidates and the votes polled and so on and so forth. We were of the opinion that nothing of that sort could be entertained by this Court; especially when we find the entertainment of the PIL itself to be misplaced. We find no reason to entertain the petition seeking intervention and all of such intervention applications shall stand rejected.**

6. **With the above observation, we close the SLP recording the submission of the petitioner that the elected Office Bearers of the Association have taken charge.**

7. **Pending application(s), if any, shall stand rejected.**

(VISHAL ANAND)
DEPUTY REGISTRAR

(POOJA SHARMA)
COURT MASTER (NSH)