

SL. No	Date	Office Notes, reports, orders or proceedings or directions and Registrar's order with Signatures	COURT'S OR JUDGES'S ORDERS
	<u>28.08.2023</u>		<p><b>WPPIL No. 219 of 2018</b></p> <p><b><u>Hon'ble Vipin Sanghi, C.J.</u></b>  <b><u>Hon'ble Rakesh Thapliyal, J.</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mr. Gopal K. Verma, learned counsel for the petitioner.</li> <li>2. Mr. C.S. Rawat, learned Chief Standing Counsel with Mr. B.S. Parihar, learned Standing Counsel for the State / respondent Nos. 1 to 3.</li> <li>3. Mr. Ravi Babulkar, learned counsel for respondent No. 4.</li> </ol> <p>4. We may notice that the petitioner has raised an important issue in the writ petition, which directly impinges on the revenue of the State.</p> <p>5. Yet no counter-affidavit has been filed by respondent Nos. 1 to 3 – the State, even though the writ petition is pending since 2018.</p> <p>6. Mr. Rawat seeks further time to file the same, within two weeks.</p> <p>7. We fail to appreciate – why the counter-affidavit has not been filed in this matter till date. However, since Mr. Rawat has assured that the same be filed within two weeks, we are deferring our orders.</p>

8. As a last and final opportunity, let the counter-affidavit be filed by the State within two weeks.

9. Mr. Rawat points out that respondent No. 3 has not been correctly named, and the name of respondent No. 3 should be the Principal Secretary, Culture and Religious Activities, State of Uttarakhand, Secretariat, Dehradun.

10. The petitioner should file amended memo of parties within a week.

11. In case, the counter-affidavit is still not filed, the Chief Secretary, and the Principal Secretary, State of Uttarakhand, shall remain present in Court on the next date.

12. Rejoinder before the next date.

13. List the matter on 30.10.2023.

**(Rakesh Thapliyal, J.)**

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