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RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
CRIMINAL APPEAL NO. 1640 OF 2010

THANA SINGH

Appellant (s)

VERSUS

CENTRAL BUREAU OF NARCOTICS

Respondent(s)

(With office report)

Date: 12/10/2011 This Appeal was called on for hearing today.

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

The learned Amicus Curiae has placed
before us a tabulated statement showing the
number of cases pending trial under the Narcotic
Drugs & Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 in
different states. The statement is stated to have
been compiled on the basis of affidavits filed by
the States. It appears from the said statement
that in some States there is a large pendency of
cases where the accused are in incarceration for
over a period of five years.

Under the circumstances, we deem it
necessary to direct the Registrars of the High
Courts in the States of Bihar, Gujarat, Madhya
Pradesh, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal
and the Government of NCT of Delhi and the Union
Territory of Chandigarh to obtain copies of the

affidavits filed by the State Governments in these proceedings and file affidavit stating as to what steps have been taken on the administrative side to ensure that trial in these cases are completed expeditiously.

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The office is directed to forward a copy of this order to the respective High Courts forthwith. Affidavits in terms of this order shall be filed within eight weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

Call the matter for further directions after eight weeks.

(VINOD LAKHINA)
Court Master

(KUSUM GULATI)
Court Master