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W.P(C)No. 72 OF 1998  
ITEM No.1

Court No.10

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Writ Petition(Civil) No.72/1998@@  
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IN RE: NOISE POLLUTION - IMPLEMENTATION OF  
THE LAWS FOR RESTRICTING USE OF LOUDSPEAKERS  
AND HIGH VOLUME PRODUCING SOUND SYSTEMS

Petitioner (s)

VERSUS

U.O.I. & ANR

Respondent (s)

( With Appln(s). for impleading party and directions and exemption  
from filing O.T. and impleading party and directions )  
( For directions )

Date : 15/01/2002 This Petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE R.C. LAHOTI  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE BRIJESH KUMAR

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UPON hearing counsel the Court made the following  
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The Union of India is yet to make its response in terms of the previous order of this Court. Learned Solicitor General informs us that the matter is receiving active consideration of the Central Government and they have arrived almost at a conclusion, excepting a point or two which need a deeper consideration. There are a number of Interlocutory Applications filed in this Court by different associations/organisations, seeking impleadment, putting forth their respective suggestions for the consideration of the Court and also seeking modification in the guidelines/directions issued earlier by this Court. In our opinion, it would better serve the interests of justice if the Central Government first apply its mind to all the relevant factors and take its own decision and bring the same to the notice of the Court.

The hearing is adjourned by six weeks. In the meantime, let the Central Government give its response by taking into consideration also the suggestions made by the learned Amicus Curiae and other suggestions/demands contained in I.A.Nos. 5,6,7,9 & 10, pending before this Court. The Central Government, while responding to the Court, should not feel inhibited by any guidelines laid down or directions made by this Court earlier and feel free in putting forth complete picture of its considered view point on the points in issue before we take up the matter for consideration.

Learned Amicus Curiae may also give his response to the suggestions made in several I.As.

List after six weeks.

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Court Master@@  
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