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SLP(C)No. 6928 OF 1999
ITEM No.12 + 63

Court No. 9

SECTION XI
A/N MATTER

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

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (Civil) No.6928/1999

(From the judgement and order dated 08/10/1998 in CMWP 968/97
of The HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT ALLAHABAD)

STATE OF U.P. & ORS

Petitioner (s)

VERSUS

JEET S. BISHT & ANR.

Respondent (s)

(With Appln(s). for exemption from filing O.T. and
Appln. for taking affidavit on record and for intervention/
impleadment as RR & directions and for accepting supplementary
affidavit and with prayer for interim relief)

(FOR DIRECTIONS)
(ALONGWITH THE RECORD OF SLP (C) NO.4135/2002)

WITH
W.P(C)No.164/2002

"IN RE: THE IMPLEMENTATION & THE WORKING OF
CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT, 1986"

(FOR DIRECTIONS)

SLP(C) No.13683/2001
(With appln. for exem. from filing O.T.)
(For final disposal)

Cont. Pet.(C) No.151/2002 in SLP(C) No.6928/1999
(With appln. for exem. from filing O.T.)

Date : 06/05/2002 These Petitions were called on for hearing today.

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UPON hearing counsel the Court made the following
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No response has been filed on behalf of the Union of India. Another four weeks' time is allowed for the purpose. However, we expect the Union of India to positively respond within this much time.

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Mr. M.N. Krishnamani, learned senior counsel for NCDRC Bar Association submits that the Commission urgently needs a Joint Registrar in the absence whereof the working of the Commission is almost paralysed. After hearing the learned Solicitor General, we direct the Secretary, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution to hold a meeting with the Chairman of the Commission and make available the services of a Joint Registrar in accordance with the consensus arrived at between the two at such meeting. The compliance shall be made in two weeks.

Such of the States who have not yet responded, may

file their response within four weeks. If no response is filed within this much time, it will be assumed that the concerning State has no comments to offer and the Court shall proceed with the hearing of the matter.

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(Neena Verma)
Court Master

(Radha Rani Bhatia)
Court Master