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T.P.(C) No. 226-227 OF 2001

ITEM No.201

Court No. 5

SECTION XVIA

XI,XIV

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

Transfer Petition.(Civil) No.226-227/2001

PRESS COUNCIL OF INDIA

Petitioner (s)

VERSUS

INDIAN FEDTN.,WORKING JOURNALISTS & ORS.

Respondent (s)

(With prayer for interim relief)

(With Appln(s). for permission to file rejoinder affidavit &
for permission to file additional affidavit)

(For Final Disposal)

With

SLP(C)No.5822/2001,SLP(C)No.5826/2001

(With appln.for exemption from filing c/c of the impugned judgment
& directions and exemption from filing o.t. and placing on record dim
copies of the annexure file alongwith counter affidavit and
permission to file reply affidavit and rejoinder affidavit and with
prayer for interim relief) (For final disposal)

Date : 03/05/2002 These Petitions were called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SYED SHAH MOHAMMED QUADRI

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S.N. VARIAVA

For Petitioner (s)

Mr.VR Reddy,Sr.Adv.

M/s ER Kumar,DP Mohanthy,Advs.

Mr. P.H. Parekh,Adv.

For Respondent (s)

M/s Rakesh K.Khanna,Reetesh Singh,Advs.

Mr. Surya Kant,Adv.

M/s (Dr) Abhishek Singhvi,Ramamurthy,Sr.Advs.

M/s Bharat Bhatia,Iti Sharma,Advs.

Mrs Shiel Sethi,Adv.

Mr.MN Krishnamani,Sr.Adv.

M/s Rajeev Sharma,SK Sharma,

S.Pani,Advs.

Mr.K.Ramamoorthy,Sr.Adv.

M/s P.Seeni Thevar,BS Rajesh Roshan,

Hema Sahu, CL Sahu,Advs.

M/s Krishan Mahajan,Bina Madhavan,

SUK Sagar,Prasanth P.,Advs.

UPON hearing counsel the Court made the following
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SLP(C) Nos.5822/2001 & 5826/2001.@@
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The applications for exemptions are allowed.
Permission to file reply affidavit/rejoinder
affidavit is granted.

IA No.2 (for directions) in SLP(C) 5826/2001 is
dismissed.

In these special leave petitions we have passed the
interim order on April 3, 2001. We are informed that as
a result of the said order the Press Council has been
reconstituted. We make it clear that the constitution of
the Council will be subject to the result of the orders
that may be passed by the High Court in the Writ
Petitions pending before it. The special leave petitions
are accordingly disposed of.

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Permission is granted.

The transfer petitions are ordered in terms of the
signed order. No costs.

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[Naresh Kumar]
Court Master

[Kanwal Singh]
Court Master

[Signed order is placed on the file.]

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA

CIVIL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

TRANSFER PETITION(C) NOS.226-227 OF 2001@@
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Press Council of India ... Petitioner

vs.

Indian Federation of Working Journalists ... Respondents
& Ors.

WITH
SLP(C) No.5822/2001
SLP(C) No.5826/2001

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Having heard the learned counsel for the parties we are of the view that transfer of Writ Petition No.830 of 2001 titled Indian Federation of Working Journalists & Anr. vs.@@
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Union of India & Ors. pending in the High Court of@@
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Judicature at Allahabad to the High Court of Delhi would meet the ends of justice.

On transfer of the Writ Petition, the parties may make a prayer that it shall be heard along with Writ Petition No.1465 of 2001 and other connected writ petitions pending in the High Court of Delhi. The transfer petitions are accordingly ordered. No costs.

Having regard to the nature of the dispute involved in these cases we have no doubt that the cases will receive consideration of the High Court for expeditious disposal.

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[SYED SHAH MOHAMMED QUADRI]

New Delhi,
May 03, 2002.@@
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[S.N. VARIAVA]