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ITEM NO.10

COURT NO.3

SECTION PIL

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

WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) NO(s). 95 OF 2012

DEVIKA BISWAS

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.

Respondent(s)

(With appln(s) for exemption from filing O.T., permission to submit additional document(s) and office report)

Date: 29/07/2013 This Petition was called on for hearing today.

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UPON hearing counsel the Court made the following

O R D E R

On February 25, 2013 this Court observed that the Chief Secretaries of the States of Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Kerala, Odisha, Andhra Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Punjab, Haryana, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand and the Administrator of Union Territory of Andaman & Nicobar Islands shall ensure that counter affidavit by the respective State/Union Territory is filed positively within eight weeks from today.

In compliance of the above order, the States of Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Andhra Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Meghalaya, and Union Territory of Andaman & Nicobar Islands have not filed their respective counter affidavits so far.

As per Office Report dated 27th day of July, 2013, State of Mizoram and State of Karnataka have already filed their respective counter affidavits earlier.

Mr. S.K. Dube, learned senior counsel for the State of Madhya Pradesh, Ms. Kirti Renu Mishra, learned counsel for the State of Odisha, Ms. Pragati Neekhra, learned counsel for the State of Himachal Pradesh and Mr. Balasubramaniam, learned counsel for the Union Territory of Andaman & Nicobar Islands, submit that the counter affidavits on behalf of their respective States/Union Territory shall be filed within six weeks from today.

We accept their statements.

We direct the Chief Secretaries of the State of Andhra Pradesh, State of Meghalaya and State of Jharkhand, which have not filed their respective counter affidavits so far, to ensure that counter affidavits are filed on behalf of their States positively within six weeks from today.

Non-compliance of this order by any of the States shall be viewed seriously.

List the matter after six weeks.

|(Rajesh Dham)
|Court Master

|(Renu Diwan)
|Court Master

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