

ITEM NO.44

COURT NO.11

SECTION IX-A

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
R E C O R D O F P R O C E E D I N G S

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (C) No(s).20718-20719/2025

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 29-02-2024 in WP No.9112/2019 and WP No.12022/2019 passed by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay]

INDRAKUMAR JAIN

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

M/S DAINIK BHASKAR & ANR.

Respondent(s)

Date : 28-10-2025 These matters were called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AHSANUDDIN AMANULLAH
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K.V. VISWANATHAN

For Petitioner(s) Mr. C. U. Singh, Sr. Adv.
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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following

O R D E R

Mr. Varun Tanhha, learned counsel submits that he is appearing on behalf of respondent no.2. We find that if respondent no.2 who is the Chairman-Chief Editor of respondent no.1-M/s. Dainik Bhaskar is being represented then, the Court would not

require respondent no.1 to be actually served. Moreover, we will not wait for respondent no.1 to be served as both the respondents have common interest and it is being represented by learned counsel for respondent no.2. It shall be open for learned counsel for respondent no.2 to also enter appearance on behalf of respondent no.1.

2. As prayed for by learned counsel for respondent no.2, four weeks time is granted to file counter affidavit.

3. Rejoinder affidavit, if any, be filed within two weeks thereafter.

4. List on 22.01.2026.

(SAPNA BISHT)
COURT MASTER (SH)

(ANJALI PANWAR)
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR