

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

SUO MOTO WRIT PETITION(CRIMINAL) No(s). 2/2020

IN RE EXPEDITIOUS TRIAL OF CASES UNDER SECTION 138 OF N.I. ACT 1881
Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

Respondent(s)

[ONLY I.A. NOS. 168089/2025 AND 168092/2025 ARE LISTED UNDER THIS
ITEM.]

IA No. 168092/2025 - GRANT OF INTERIM RELIEF

IA No. 168089/2025 - INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT

Date : 23-09-2025 This matter was called on for hearing today.

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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

IA No. 168089/2025

Ms. Arundhati Katju, learned senior counsel appearing for the applicants submits that she may be allowed to withdraw IA No. 168089/2025 leaving it open for the applicants to approach the High Court by way of a representation for redressal of their grievances.

The application is accordingly rejected with liberty, as prayed.

This is an application filed by learned *amicus curiae*, Mr. Sidharth Luthra and Mr. K. Parmeshwar, learned senior counsel for certain directions to collect the status report from the Chief Secretaries of all the States and the Union Territories.

The information required is as per prayers contained in paragraph 9 (a) to (e).

Upon receipt of the information as required by the Court, appropriate directions will be passed.

As of now, all the Chief Secretaries of all the States and the Union Territories and the Registrar Generals of the High Courts are directed to provide the necessary status reports as required by points (a) to (e) of paragraph 9 of the application within six weeks.

List after six weeks.

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