

ITEM NO.101

COURT NO.1

SECTION IIA

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

Criminal Appeal No(s). 1255/1999

PEOPLE'S UNION FOR LIBERTIES & ANR

Appellant(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF MAHARASHTRA & ORS

Respondent(s)

(With application(s) for intervention and office report)

WITH

Cr1.A. No. 1256/1999  
(With Office Report)

Cr1.A. No. 1367/1999  
(With Office Report)

W.P.(C) No. 316/2008  
(With appln.(s) for stay and Office Report)

CONMT.PET.(C) No. 47/2011 In W.P.(C) No. 316/2008  
(With Office Report)

T.C.(C) No. 27/2011  
(With Office Report)

Date : 03/09/2014 These matters were called on for hearing today.

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

We have heard Mr. Gopal Sankaranarayan, learned amicus curiae, learned senior counsel and counsel for the States and the National Human Rights Commission on the question of the procedure to be followed in investigating police encounters. Order reserved in this regard.

As regards the propriety and procedure of media briefing by police personnel, we think it is appropriate if the learned amicus curiae prepares a questionnaire and circulates that to the learned Solicitor General, advocates-on- record appearing for the State Governments, Mr. Surat Singh, petitioner-in-person in Writ Petition No.316 of 2008, within two weeks. Counsel for the Union of India, State Governments and others may submit their response within six weeks of the receipt of the questionnaire and supply copy of the response to learned amicus curiae. Order accordingly.

List these matters after eight weeks for consideration on the aspect of the media briefing by the police personnel.

(Neetu Khajuria)  
Sr.P.A.

(Renu Diwan)  
Court Master