

ITEM NO.303

COURT NO.9

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R E C O R D O F P R O C E E D I N G S

Writ Petition(s) (Civil) No(s) .295/2012

S.RAJASEEKARAN

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA &amp; ORS.

Respondent(s)

(With office report)

Date : 24/04/2015 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE UDAY UMESH LALIT

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

Pursuant to our order dated 10<sup>th</sup> April, 2015, we have been informed that Ms. Madhavi Divan, learned counsel for the Union of India has visited the premises of the Commission set up under the orders of this Court. She was accompanied by learned *amicus curiae*.

It appears that there is a requirement of one additional room in the Vigyan Bhawan complex for the Commission.

The other inconvenience felt by the Commission is with regard to the payment of house rent. The Commission, which has been set up under the orders of this Court, has not been provided any residential accommodation by the Government and the rent for the residential premises of the Chairperson of the Commission is not being reimbursed in full by the Central Government.

Under these circumstances, keeping in mind that about one lakh people succumb to injuries in road accidents every year which results into claims running into hundreds of crores which are paid by insurance companies which are public sector undertakings, provision of one additional room in the Vigyan Bhawan complex and payment of rent or provision of suitable residential accommodation to the Chairman of the Commission is worth hardly anything at all.

We have requested Mr. Neeraj Kishan Kaul, learned Additional Solicitor General, who is present in Court, to assist us in the matter and take instructions from the Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation and Ministry of Finance in this regard.

While taking instructions and discussing the matter with the concerned officers, learned Additional Solicitor General should keep in mind the letter sent by the learned Attorney General on 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2014 to the Revenue Secretary and the Urban Development Secretary.

It is not necessary for learned counsel for the States and Union Territories to be present for the time being. Their presence is accordingly dispensed with for the time being.

List the matter on 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2015.

(SANJAY KUMAR-I)  
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