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

S.RAJASEEKARAN

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.

Respondent(s)

(With appln. (s) for directions and office report)
(For final disposal)

WITH

W.P.(C) No. 645/2016
(With Office Report)

Date : 03/10/2016 These petitions were called on for hearing today.

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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following

O R D E R

One affidavit has been filed by the Union of India pursuant to

our order dated 19.09.2016. This affidavit does not enlighten us at all. It is only a collection of papers that has been filed. The only information which is relevant in the affidavit is that the insurance company has disbursed an amount of Rs.11,480.91 crores in the year 2015-16 towards accident claims and the amount that has been collected by way of premium is to the extent of Rs.21,242 crores as orally told to us.

We also find that the number of claims that have been made on account of death are roughly half of the number of deaths. In other words, at least half of the legal representatives of road accident deaths are not aware that they are entitled to compensation including no fault liability.

We would like to know from the Union of India what steps have been taken in this regard to bring about awareness amongst victims / families of victims of road accidents.

Learned counsel for the Union of India further states that the Secretary in the Ministry of Road, Transport and Highways will make an effort to inject some seriousness into the proceedings and insist on direct communication with his counterpart Secretary in the State Governments.

On request, the matters are adjourned to 07.11.2016.

Affidavit filed by the Union of India on 21.09.2016 should be returned by the Registry.

(Meenakshi Kohli)
Court Master

(Jaswinder Kaur)
Court Master