

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA  
CRIMINAL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION (CRIMINAL) NO.109 OF 2003

NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION ... PETITIONER(S)

VS.

STATE OF GUJARAT & ORS. ... RESPONDENT(S)

O R D E R

1. While placing on record our appreciation for the services rendered to this Court by the learned Amicus Curiae, we are immensely satisfied with the manner in which the proceedings had been conducted in all the trials, resulting in the conclusion of all but one trial.

2. Learned Amicus Curiae has made a request on behalf of Shri R.K. Raghavan, the Chairman of the Special Investigation Team (SIT), seeking to withdraw from the SIT hereinafter, on account of his ill health. We appreciate the request made, and release him from his responsibility as the Chairman of the SIT.

3. A similar request has been made for the release of Shri K. Venkatesham. The instant request is based on the fact, that Shri K. Venkatesham has since been appointed as Commissioner of Police, Nagpur, and therefore, his onerous responsibility leaves him limited time to deal with other issues. For the reasons brought to our notice, we hereby

relieve Shri K. Venkatesham from the duties vested in him as a member of the SIT.

4. In the above view of the matter, we would request the remaining member of the SIT, namely, Shri A.K. Malhotra, to continue to discharge the responsibility hereto before entrusted to the SIT, himself. Shri A.K. Malhotra shall furnish quarterly reports to this Court.

5. Post for hearing in the last week of July, 2017.

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[JAGDISH SINGH KHEHAR]

.....J.  
[Dr. D.Y. CHANDRACHUD]

.....J.  
[SANJAY KISHAN KAUL]

New Delhi;  
13<sup>th</sup> April, 2017.

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

Writ Petition (Criminal) No(s).109/2003

NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF GUJARAT & ORS.  
(Office report for direction)

Respondent(s)

Date : 13/04/2017 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE  
HON'BLE DR. JUSTICE D.Y. CHANDRACHUD  
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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following  
O R D E R

Matter is directed to be listed in the last week of  
July, 2017, in terms of the signed order.

(Sarita Purohit)  
Court Master

(Renuka Sadana)  
Assistant Registrar

(Signed order is placed on the file)