

SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) NO(s). 404 OF 2008

ARCHBISHOP RAPHAEL CHEENATH S.V.D.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

STATE OF ORISSA & ANR.

Respondent(s)

(With office report)

Date: 05/01/2009 This Petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MARKANDEY KATJU
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE P. SATHASIVAM

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Mr. S.N. Terdal, Adv.

For Ms. Sushma Suri ,Adv

UPON hearing counsel the Court made the following
ORDER

This Court by an order passed on 22.10.2008 indicated that sufficient paramilitary forces be deployed in the State of Orissa till December, 2008. Learned counsel for the State submits that still these forces are required in the State to maintain the law and order situation even if removal of group of battalion is necessary the same should be done in a phased manner. We make it

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clear that the State Government may have discussions with the Home Secretary of the Home Ministry and take an appropriate decision having regard to the law and order situation prevailing in the State for protection of minorities in the State.

The learned counsel appearing for the petitioner stated that large number of churches have been demolished and the State Government is giving meager amount by way of compensation. Some churches and religious places were in existence which are being destroyed and the State Government is not giving any compensation on the ground that there is some dispute regarding the land. The Government may formulate a scheme regarding these religious places and take appropriate decision.

Adjourned by six weeks.

(R.K.DHAWAN)
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