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SECTION PIL-W

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
R E C O R D O F P R O C E E D I N G S

Writ Petition (Civil) No.1144/2021

IN RE: PAY AND ALLOWANCE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE U.P. STATE
CONSUMER DISPUTES REDRESSAL COMMISSION

WITH SMW(C) No 2/2021

Date : 15-11-2021 This petition was called on for hearing today.

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

- 1 Suo Moto Writ (Civil) No 2 of 2021 relates to the inaction of the State Governments in filling up posts of members and staff of District and State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commissions, and the inadequacies of infrastructure in these forums.

- 2 On 10 November 2021, the Bench presided over by Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sanjay Kishan Kaul directed that all other applications for impleadment/intervention in SMW (Civil) No 2 of 2021 relating to pay-scales and emoluments should be listed together with Writ Petition (C) No 1144 of 2021.
- 3 In view of the above direction, Mr Gopal Sankaranarayanan, learned senior counsel who is the *Amicus Curiae* in SMW (C) No 2 of 2021 has submitted that the impleadment/intervention applications pertaining to the pay-scales and emoluments of the members and staff of the State and District Consumer fora may be directed to be listed together with the present proceedings, having regard to the order dated 10 November 2021.
- 4 Consequently, in terms of the order dated 10 November 2021 passed in SMW (C) No 2 of 2021, the Registry is requested to list all the applications for impleadment/intervention pertaining to the pay-scales and emoluments of the members of the State and District Consumer fora with the present proceedings on the next date of listing. The impleadment/intervention applications shall be renumbered and be shown as interlocutory applications in Writ Petition (C) No 1144 of 2021.
- 5 We have requested Mr Gopal Sankaranarayanan, learned senior counsel and Mr Aditya Narain, learned counsel to assist the Court as *Amicus Curiae* on the issue pertaining to the pay-scales and emoluments of the Members of the consumer fora. Ms Perna Priyadarshini, learned counsel will act as Advocate-on-Record instructing the learned *Amicus Curiae*.
- 6 Issue notice.
- 7 Mr S R Singh, learned senior counsel appearing on behalf of the State of UP states that he will file the counter affidavit within a period of three weeks.

8 List the Petition on 3 January 2022.

(CHETAN KUMAR)
A.R. -cum-P.S.

(SAROJ KUMARI GAUR)
Court Master