

ITEM NO.17

REGISTRAR COURT. 2

SECTION IX

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

BEFORE THE REGISTRAR SH. MASHROOR ALAM KHAN

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (C) No(s). 17194-  
17230/2024

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

VIRAJ CHETAN SHAH & ORS.

Respondent(s)

Date : 07-01-2026 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

Respondent No. 1 in SLP (C) No. 17194/2024, Respondent No. 2 in SLP (C) No. 17212 of 2024, Respondent No.10 in SLP (C) No. 17216 of 2024, Respondent NO.6 in SLP (C) No. 17223 of 2024 filed the counter affidavit after the opportunity was declined.

Apprise the same to the Hon'ble Court.

Opportunity to file counter affidavit has already been declined in respect of Respondent No. 1 in SLP (C) Nos. 17194, 17197, 17202, 17203, 17217, 17218, 17222/2024, Respondent Nos. 1 to 3 in SLP (C) No. 17198/2024, Respondent No.2 in SLP (C) Nos. 17199, 17204, 17208/2024, Respondent No. 3 in SLP (C) No. 17215/2024, Respondent No.4 in SLP No. 17210/2024, Respondent Nos. 4 and 8 in SLP No. 17216/2024, Respondent No.4 in SLP (C) No. 17223/2024, Respondent Nos. 9, 10, 14, 15 and 17 in SLP (C) No. 17225/2024, Respondent Nos. 1 & 3 in SLP No. 17228/2024 and Respondent Nos. 1 & 2 in SLP No. 17230/2024.

Respondent No. 2 in SLP (C) Nos. 17194, 17196, 17200, 17203, 17209, 17215, 17217, 17218, 17229/2024, Respondent No. 1 in SLP No. 17212, 17214/2024, Respondent No. 3 in SLP (C) No. 17204, 17210, 17222, 17224, 17226/2024, Respondent Nos. 1 & 2 in SLP (C) No. 17211 & 17213/2024, Respondent Nos. 5 & 9 in SLP (C) No. 17216/2024, Respondent No. 4 in SLP No. 17219, 17228, 17230/2024, Respondent Nos. 3 & 5 in SLP(C) No. 17223/2024 and Respondent Nos. 2 & 3 in SLP(C) No. 17227/2024 have already filed counter affidavit.

Respondent No.6 in SLP (C) No. 17201/2024, Respondent No. 2 in SLP No. 17202/2024 and Respondent No. 5 in SLP (C) No. 17210/2024 have filed short affidavit.

Respondent No. 1 in SLP (C) No. 17205, 17225 of 2024 has not filed counter affidavit despite last opportunity. Hence, further opportunity to file counter affidavit is hereby declined.

Counter affidavit filed by the Ld. Counsel for Respondent No.1 in SLP Nos. 17220 & 17221/2024 is defective. Ld. Counsel has not cured the defects despite last chance. Apprise the same fact to the Hon'ble Court, as and when the matter is listed.

As per office report, application for direction filed by Mr. Palash Singhai, Ld. Counsel in respect of Respondent No.1 in SLP No. 17228/2024 is still defective.

It has been submitted by Ld. Counsel that he has already cured the defects in the application. Registry to verify the same.

If it is so, the application be processed, as per rules.

Ld. Counsel for Petitioner has failed to take fresh steps in respect of respondent No.1 in SLP No. 17204/2024, Respondent No. 3 in SLP (C) No. 17216/2024, Respondent No. 8 in SLP(C) No. 17223/2024, Respondent No. 16 in SLP(C) No. 17225/2024, Respondent Nos. 1 & 2 in SLP No. 17226/2024 and Respondent No.1 in SLP(C) No. 17227/2024, though last opportunity was granted.

Hence, the matter be processed for listing before the Hon'ble Judge-in-Chambers, for further directions.

Service is complete on the remaining respondents but none has entered appearance.

Copy of this Record of Proceedings be furnished to the concerned Learned Advocate-on-Record for information and compliance.

MASHROOR ALAM KHAN  
Registrar