

ITEM NO.103

COURT NO.1

SECTION PIL

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(s) (Civil) No(s). 334 OF 2001

IN RE: DEATH OF 25 CHAINED INMATES IN
ASYLUM FIRE IN TAMIL NADU

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.

Respondent(s)

WITH

W.P.(C) No. 562/2001

(With Office Report)

W.P.(C) No. 118/2004

(With Office Report)

W.P.(C) No. 613/2004

(With Office Report)

SLP(C) No. 19178/2012

(With Office Report)

Date : 21/08/2014 These petitions were called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KURIAN JOSEPH

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ROHINTON FALI NARIMAN

For Petitioner(s)

Mr. Abhishek Manu Singhvi, Amicus Curiae

Mr. Pranab Kumar Mullick, Adv.

Mr. Amit Bhandari, Adv.

Ms. Shyel Trehan, Adv.

Mr. Vikas Mehta, Adv.

Ms. Tejaswi Shetty, Adv.

Mr. Sanjay Parikh, Adv.

Ms. Mamta Saxena, Adv.

Ms. Anitha Shenoy, Adv.

Ms. Prachi Arya, Adv.

Ms. Jyoti Mendiratta, Adv.

For Respondent(s)

Ms. Pinki Anand, ASG
 Mr. S. Wasim A. Qadri, Adv.
 Ms. Sunita Sharma, Adv.
 Ms. Sushma Suri, Adv.

Ms. Pinki Anand, ASG
 Mr. S. Wasim A. Qadri, Adv.
 Ms. R.R. Rajesh, Adv.
 Mr. D.S. Mahra, Adv.

Ms. Meenakshi Arora, Sr. Adv.
 Mr. Mohit D. Ram, Adv.

Mr. Manjit Singh, Sr. Adv.
 Ms. Vivekta Singh, Adv.
 Ms. Nupur Choudhary, Adv.

Ms. Asha Gopalan Nair, Adv.
 Mr. A.P. Mayee, Adv.

Ms. K. Enatoli Sema, Adv.
 Mr. Amit Kumar Singh, Adv.

Mr. Anip Sachthey, Adv.
 Mr. Mohit Paul, Adv.
 Ms. Shagun Matta, Adv.

Mr. Gopal Singh, Adv.
 Mr. Rituraj Biswas, Adv.

Mr. Gopal Singh, Adv.
 Mr. Chandan Kumar, Adv.

Mr. S.S. Shamsbery, AAG
 Mr. Amit Sharma, Adv.

Mr. Jogy Scaria, Adv.

Mr. Sapam Biswajit, Adv.
 Mr. Ashok Kr. Singh, Adv.

Mr. T.N. Singh, Adv.
 Mr. Abhishth Kumar, Adv.
 Mr. Sudeep Kumar, Adv.

Mr. Suryanarayana Singh, AAG
 Ms. Pragati Neekhara, Adv.

Mr. Sanjiv Kr. Pabbi, AAG.
Mr. Kuldeep Singh, Adv.

Mr. Ashutosh Kr. Sharma, Adv.
Ms. Rachana Srivastava, Adv.

Mr. V.G. Pragasam, Adv.
Mr. S.J. Aristotle, Adv.
Mr. Prabu Ramasubramani, Adv.

Mr. Pawan Shree Agrawal, Adv.
Mr. Aniruddha P. Mayee, Adv.

Mr. K.V. Jagdishvaran, Adv.
Ms. G. Indira, Adv.

Mr. Jayesh Gaurav, Adv.
Mr. Gopal Prasad, Adv.

Mr. A. Mariarputham, Sr. Adv.
Ms. Aruna Mathur, Adv.
For M/s Arputham Aruna & Co.

Mr. Navnit Kumar, Adv.

Mr. Ranjan Mukherjee, Adv.

Ms. Hemantika Wahi, Adv.
Ms. Preeti Bhardwaj, Adv.

Dr. J. P. Dhanda, Adv.

Mr. Anil Shrivastav, Adv.
Mr. B. Balaji, Adv.
Mr. B. S. Banthia, Adv.
Mr. C. D. Singh, Adv.
Mr. Gopal Prasad, Adv.

Mr. Jagjit Singh Chhabra, Adv.

Mr. Jatinder Kumar Bhatia, Adv.

Mr. Javed Mahmud Rao, Adv.

Mr. Mishra Saurabh, Adv.

Mr. Mukesh K. Giri, Adv.

Mr. Naresh K. Sharma, Adv.

Mr. Pradeep Misra, Adv.

Mr. Pramod Dayal, Adv.

Mr. P. V. Yogeswaran, Adv.

Mr. Rajesh Srivastava, Adv.

Mr. Raj Singh Rana, Adv.

Mr. R. Nedumaran, Adv.

Mr. Sanjay R. Hegde, Adv.

Mr. Shiv Prakash Pandey, Adv.

Mr. Sibio Sankar Mishra, Adv.

Mrs. Revathy Raghavan, Adv.

Mr. Sunil Fernandes, Adv.

Mr. Tara Chandra Sharma, Adv.

Mr. T. V. Ratnam, Adv.

Ms. A. Subhashini, Adv.

Ms. C. K. Sucharita, Adv.

M/s Corporate Law Group

Ms. Kamini Jaiswal, Adv.

M/s. Lawyer S Knit & Co

Ms. Niranjana Singh, Adv.

Ms. Sumita Hazarika, Adv.

Ms. Sushma Suri, Adv.

Ms. T. Anamika, Adv.

M/s. Temple Law Firm

Ms. V. Mohana, Adv.

Mr. V. N. Raghupathy, Adv.

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

Ms. Pinki Anand, learned Additional Solicitor General, submits that the Mental Health Care Bill, 2013 is under consideration.

Dr. Abhishek Manu Singhvi, learned *amicus curiae*, Mr. Sanjay Parikh and Ms. Shyel Trehan, learned counsel for the petitioners in Writ Petition (Civil)No.118 of 2004 and Writ Petition (Civil) No.562 of 2001 respectively, are permitted to give their suggestions in writing to the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare within four weeks from today.

We expect the concerned Ministry to look into the suggestions that may be made pursuant to this order before finalizing the Mental Health Care Bill, 2013.

List the matter in the month of February, 2015.

(Neetu Khajuria)
Sr.P.A.

(Renu Diwan)
Court Master