

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA**  
**CIVIL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION**  
**WRIT PETITION (C) NO.909 OF 2020**

**R. SUBRAMANIAN**

**Petitioner(s)**

**VERSUS**

**UNION OF INDIA & ORS.**

**Respondent(s)**

**O R D E R**

By way of this petition, under Article 32 of the Constitution of India, the following reliefs are sought:-

"a. Issue an appropriate writ directing the 1<sup>st</sup> Respondent to forthwith provide all infrastructure including software and funds and that are necessary to ensure that the Respondent 2 to Respondent 27 can ensure that the necessary infrastructure is available at all Courts and Tribunals so that all of them are enabled to permit filings of cases remotely and to deal with all cases before them by way of remote hearing including specifically for the reliefs sought in reliefs (b) to (e) herebelow;

b. Issue an appropriate writ directing the 2<sup>nd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> Respondents to ensure that this Hon'ble Court and all High Courts and Tribunals presently exercising powers vested on High Courts are wholly enabled to carry on their full load of judicial work as was done previously within a period of 8 weeks, such infrastructure covering both remote filing of cases and pleadings and remote hearing by video conference.

c. Issue an appropriate writ directing the 2<sup>nd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> Respondents to ensure that due facilities by way of facilitation centres are created so that users, whether advocates or parties in person can use their services on payment of fees to access remote filing and remote hearing at the courts in case they are unable to directly access the same themselves.

d. Issue an appropriate writ directing the 3<sup>rd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> Respondents to ensure that Subordinate courts and all other Tribunals are wholly enabled to carry on their full load of judicial work as was done previously within a period of 8 weeks, such infrastructure

covering both remote filing of cases and pleadings and remote hearing by audio conference mode.

e. Issue an appropriate writ directing the 3<sup>rd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> Respondents to make a plan to ensure that Subordinate courts and all other Tribunals are wholly enabled to carry on their full load of judicial work such infrastructure covering both remote filing of cases and pleadings and remote hearing by video conference mode."

Apart from the fact that, by passage of time, the present petition has become infructuous, even with respect to the infrastructure including the software to be provided for online court proceedings, the same is being taken care by the E-Committee of this Court and the concerned High Courts, we close the present proceedings.

The Writ Petition stands disposed of.

..... J.  
(M.R. SHAH)

..... J.  
(KRISHNA MURARI)

New Delhi;  
September 23, 2022.

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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**  
**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

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IA No. 58522/2020 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
 IA No. 58751/2020 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
 IA No. 58752/2020 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING AFFIDAVIT  
 IA No. 58750/2020 - INTERVENTION APPLICATION  
 IA No. 58521/2020 - INTERVENTION APPLICATION

Date : 23-09-2022 This matter was called on for hearing today.

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 HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KRISHNA MURARI

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

The Writ Petition stands disposed of in terms of the signed order.

Pending applications stand disposed of.

(R. NATARAJAN)  
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(Signed order is placed on the file)

(NISHA TRIPATHI)  
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR