

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Writ Petition(s)(Criminal) No(s). 323/2020

G.S.MANI & ANR.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.

Respondent(s)

(FOR ADMISSION and IA No.106415/2020-PERMISSION TO APPEAR AND ARGUE
IN PERSON)

WITH W.P.(C) No. 1192/2020

(FOR ADMISSION and IA No.104843/2020-EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T. and
IA No.104839/2020-EXEMPTION FROM FILING AFFIDAVIT and IA
No.104850/2020-APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM FILING ORIGINAL
VAKALATNAMA/OTHER DOCUMENT)

W.P.(Cr1.) No. 333/2020 (FOR ADMISSION)

Date : 01-12-2020 These petitions were called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

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

Writ Petition (Civil) No.1192/2020

On hearing learned counsel for the petitioner and looking to the prayer (a) being the sole relief, we are of the view that it would be appropriate if this matter is listed along with SLP[Civil] Nos.11912-11913/2020.

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The petitioner, who appears in person, has made a dual prayer. The first prayer is a little confusing but in effect what it seeks to state is that either the senior most sitting Judge of the High Court, or a judicial enquiry or an internal committee or SIT headed by senior most sitting or retired Judge or the CBI should look into the scandalizing remarks made by the Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh against the first Puisne Judge. The second prayer is for issuance of Writ of *Quo Warranto* against respondent No.3, Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh that in view of the statements made by him, he is not entitled to hold the office of the Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh.

The second prayer legally would not be maintainable. Insofar as the first prayer is concerned, it seems that the petitioner himself is not clear on what is he wanting.

Be that as it may, the issue raised in the Writ Petition [C] No.1192/2020 in regard to putting the communication between the Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh and the Chief Justice of India in public domain has already been referred to the Bench which is dealing with an aspect of the larger controversy.

In view of the aforesaid, we see no purpose in entertaining the present petition which is hereby closed.

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On examination of the matter, we find that the only aspects of concern are prayer Nos.(iii) and (iv) which read as under:

“(iii) Pass an appropriate order, direction against the Respondent No.4 Shri Jagan Mohan Reddy restraining him from holding press briefing, not to release any letter etc. to the press/TV channels in respect of the Hon’ble Judges of the Supreme Court/ High Court or any other Court as his act has brought the judiciary in disrespect and are capable of undermining the dignity and authority of the Court in the eyes of public at large.

(iv) Pass an Order/Direction against the Respondent NO.4 Shri Jagan Mohan Reddy not to disrespect the Judges of Supreme Court, High Court or any other Court.”

However, this very issue has been raised in Writ Petition [C] No.1192/2020 and there is thus, no purpose in having multiplicity of proceedings on the same issue. Not only that, the petition does not enclose either the Trustee Deed or the purposes for which the Trust has been set up or the funding of the Trust.

We are thus, not inclined to entertain the writ petition and close the proceedings.

Pending application, if any, shall also stand disposed of.

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