

ITEM NO.20

COURT NO.1

SECTION X

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)(Criminal) No(s). 146/2020

MAHANT SIDHANAND SARASWATI & ORS.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA & ORS.

Respondent(s)

(FOR ADMISSION and IA No.51846/2020-EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T. and IA No.51845/2020-EXEMPTION FROM FILING AFFIDAVIT IA No. 51845/2020 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING AFFIDAVIT IA No. 119747/2020 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T. IA No. 51846/2020 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T. IA No. 71397/2020 - STAY APPLICATION)

WITH

W.P.(Crl.) No. 233/2020 (PIL-W)  
(IA No. 71010/2020 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING AFFIDAVIT IA No.53090/2020 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING AFFIDAVIT IA No. 53089/2020 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T. IA No. 53088/2020 - INTERVENTION APPLICATION IA No. 50401/2020 - INTERVENTION APPLICATION)

W.P.(Crl.) No. 148/2020 (X)  
(FOR APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS ON IA 52228/2020 FOR EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T. ON IA 52229/2020)

W.P.(Crl.) No. 367/2020 (X)  
(FOR ADMISSION and IA No.121063/2020-EX-PARTE AD-INTERIM RELIEF and IA No.121064/2020-EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

Date : 28-04-2023 These matters were called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE  
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**UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following  
 O R D E R**

- 1 Mr. Siddharth Dharmadhikari, counsel appearing on behalf of the State of Maharashtra states that a decision has been taken by the State Government to entrust the investigation to the Central Bureau of Investigation.
- 2 In view of the decision which has been taken by the State Government, no further directions are required to be passed at this stage.
- 3 The Writ Petitions are accordingly disposed of.
- 4 Pending applications, if any, stand disposed of.

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