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Writ Petition(s) (Civil) Diary No(s). No(s). 41674/2016

NATIONAL LAWYERS' CAMPAIGN FOR JUDICIAL TRANSPARENCY
AND REFORMS REP. BY ITS HIMANSU LUTHRA Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA AND ANR. Respondent(s)

Date : 23/12/2016 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ASHOK BHUSHAN
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE L. NAGESWARA RAO
(VACATION BENCH)

For Petitioner(s) Petitioners-in-person

For Respondent(s)

The Court made the following
O R D E R

This writ petition has been filed by the National Lawyers' Campaign for Judicial Transparency and Reforms represented by Himanshu Luthra and other petitioners.

Today, when the case was called out Himanshu Luthra, the petitioner-in-person was not present. However, the several other petitioners/members claiming to be the members of the Organization, namely, Mr. Bijoy Krishna Adhikary, Rohini M. Amin, C.J. Jovesow, Ved Prakash have appeared and made submissions.

This writ petition has been filed by the petitioners praying for the following relief:-

"a) Issue a Writ of mandamus or any other writ, order or direction, directing the Respondent Union of India to consider the various representations made by the Petitioners

to the President, Prime Minister, the Chief Justice of India, the Law Minister and other high constitutional functionaries, including their representation dated 4th December, 2016 and consider Hon'ble Shri Justice Jasti Chelameswar for appointment as the next Chief Justice of India, who will have, if so appointed, a tenure of almost two years, on demitting office by Hon'ble Shri Justice T.S. Thakur, and who, even at the cost of displeasing his own brother judges, has insisted for a modicum of transparency in the functioning of the collegium, nay, in judicial appointment;

b) pass such other order or orders, as this Hon'ble Court may deem fit and proper under the facts and circumstances of the case."

We have been informed that the Notification has already been issued for appointment of the Chief Justice of India on 19.12.2016. The petitioners' prayer is for a direction to consider the various representations made by the petitioners to the President, Prime Minister, the Chief Justice of India, the Law Minister and other high constitutional functionaries.

The Notification appointing the Chief Justice of India having already been issued, the petition has virtually become infructuous and no purpose shall be served in proceeding with this matter.

The writ petition is dismissed as having become infructuous.

Pending applications, if any, shall stand disposed of.

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