

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CRIMINAL/CIVIL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION(S)(CRIMINAL) NO.136 OF 2017

BARUN CHANDRA THAKUR

PETITIONER(S)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.

RESPONDENT(S)

WITH

WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) NO.874 of 2017

ABHA R. SHARMA AND ANR.

PETITIONER(S)

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O R D E R

1. These petitions seek a direction to frame guidelines for fixing accountability of the school managements in the matter of safety of the children studying in schools. The petitioners have mentioned certain unfortunate incidents which have taken place and pointed out that the children are vulnerable and need to be protected when they are in schools. Several suggestions have been given in the petition including mechanism for cancellation of recognition of a school, constitution of a Committee to suggest how the guidelines are to be framed or implemented, constitution of a Tribunal/a body to adjudicate on such issues.

2. In response to the notice issued by this Court, some of the State Governments have given their suggestions.

3. We have heard learned counsel for the parties. We are of the view that though the issue may be important, the same being a matter of policy and governance, call ought to be taken thereon by respondent No.1 (The Secretary, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India). Respondent No.1 may obtain and consider inputs from all relevant sources and take such decision as may be considered appropriate.

4. Accordingly, we dispose of these petitions by a direction that respondent No.1 may look into the matter and take appropriate decision as far as possible within six months from today. Needless to say that the decision of respondent No.1 should relate not only to the Government schools but also private schools.

.....J.
[ADARSH KUMAR GOEL]

.....J.
[ROHINTON FALI NARIMAN]

NEW DELHI
17th April, 2018

ITEM NO.2

COURT NO.11

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). 136/2017

BARUN CHANDRA THAKUR

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

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Respondent(s)

(IA No.95765/2017-INTERVENTION APPLICATION ON and IA No.111049/2017-INTERVENTION APPLICATION and IA No.111085/2017-INTERVENTION APPLICATION and IA No.130183/2017-INTERVENTION APPLICATION and IA No.134634/2017-impleading party, IA NO.91322/2017-INTERVENTION APPLICATION)

WITH

W.P.(c) No.874/2017

(IA No.134634/2017 - intervention/impleadment)

Date : 17-04-2018 These matters were called on for hearing today.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ROHINTON FALI NARIMAN

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

The writ petitions are disposed of in terms of the signed order.

Pending applications, if any, including impleadment and intervention applications are also stand disposed of.

(SWETA DHYANI)
SENIOR PERSONAL ASSISTANT

(SUMAN JAIN)
BRANCH OFFICER

(Signed order is placed on the file)