

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

SPECIAL REFERENCE NO(S). 1/2025

IN RE : ASSENT, WITHHOLDING OR RESERVATION OF BILLS BY THE
GOVERNOR AND THE PRESIDENT OF INDIA

Date : 20-08-2025 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURYA KANT
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKRAM NATH
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE PAMIDIGHANTAM SRI NARASIMHA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ATUL S. CHANDURKAR

By Courts Motion

For Petitioner(s) :

Nodal Counsel Mr. Aman Mehta, Adv.
 Ms. Misha Rohatgi Mohta, Adv.
 Mr. Ayush Kashyap, Adv.

For Respondent(s)/Applicant(s) :

Mr. R Venkataramani, Attorney General for India
Mr. Tushar Mehta, Solicitor General
Mr. Mukesh Kumar Maroria, AOR
Mr. Aman Mehta, Adv.
Mr. Kanu Agarwal, Adv.
Mr. Gaurang Bhushan, Adv.
Ms. Sansriti Pathak, Adv.
Mr. Bhuvan Kapoor, Adv.
Mr. Madhav Singhal, Adv.
Mr. Arkaj Kumar, Adv.
Mr. Mili Joy Baxi, Adv.
Mr. Raman Yadav, Adv.
Ms. Astha Singh, Adv.
Ms. Rajeshwari Shankar, Adv.

Mr. Tushar Mehta, Solicitor General
Mr. Vinay Navare,, Sr. Adv.
Mr. A. Radhakrishnan, AOR
Mr. Shivkumar, Adv.

Mr. Tushar Mehta, Solicitor General
Mr. Chinmoy Pradip Sharma, Sr. A.A.G.
Ms. Diksha Rai, AOR
Mr. Shuvodeep Roy, Adv.
Ms. Purvat Wali, Adv.
Ms. Atiga Singh, Adv.
Mr. Piyush Vyas, Adv.
Mr. Irfan Hasieb, Adv.
Mr. Vijay Deora, Adv.
Mr. Aditya Agarwal, Adv.

Dr. Abhishek Manu Singhvi, Sr. Adv.
Mr. Mukul Rohatgi, Sr. Adv.
Mr. P Wilson, Sr. Adv.
Mr. T. Harish Kumar, AOR
Mr. Apoorv Malhotra, Adv.
Mr. Sidharth Seem, Adv.
Mr. Sabir, Adv.
Mr. Shubham Kothari, Adv.
Mr. Deepak Jain, Adv.
Mr. Lokesh Krishna, Adv.
Mr. Raktim Gogoi, Adv.
Mr. Kartikeya Singh, Adv.
Mr. Shubham P. Chopra, Adv.

Mr. Kapil Sibal, Sr. Adv.
Mr. Gopal Subramaniam, Sr. Adv.
Mr. Abhishek Manu Singhvi, Sr. Adv.
Mr. Shashikiran Shetty, Advocate General
Mr. Prateek K. Chadha, A.A.G.
Mr. Muhammad Ali Khan, A.A.G.
Mr. Nishant Patil,, A.A.G.
Mr. Aman Panwar, A.A.G.
Mr. Avishkar Singhvi, A.A.G.
Ms. Tarannum Cheema, A.A.G.
Mr. Naveen Sharma, AOR
Mr. Amit Bhandari, Adv.
Ms. Gauri Subramaniam, Adv.
Mr. Omar Hod, Adv.
Mr. Pavan Bhushan, Adv.
Mr. Jaivardhan Singh, Adv.
Ms. Rupali Samue, Adv.
Ms. Sumedha Ray Sarka, Adv.
Mr. Sreekar Aechuri, Adv.
Mr. Aniket Chauhaan, Adv.
Ms. Eesha Bakshi, Adv.
Mr. Adoorya Harish, Adv.
Mr. Arjun Sharma, Adv.
Mrs. Swati Bhushan Sharma, Adv.
Mr. S. K. Sharma, Adv.

Mr. Pukhrambam Ramesh Kumar, AOR
Mr. Karun Sharma, Adv.
Ms. Anupama Ngangom, Adv.
Ms. Rajkumari Divyasana, Adv.

Mr. Anil Shrivastav, A.A.G.
Ms. Eliza Barr, Adv.
Ms. Disha Singh, AOR
Ms. Sanya Kaushal, Adv.

Mr. Pashupathi Nath Razdan, AOR
Ms. Maitreyee Jagat Joshi, Adv.
Mr. Astik Gupta, Adv.
Ms. Akanksha Tomar, Adv.
Mr. Yaduven, Adv.

Mr. Prashant Kumar Umrao, AOR
Mr. Rishesh Sikarwar, Adv.

Mr. Praphulla Kumar Bharat, Advocate General
Mr. Apoorv Kurup, A.A.G.
Mr. B.S Rajesh Agrajit, D.A.G.
Ms. Ankita Sharma, AOR
Mr. Arjun D Singh, Adv.
Mr. Yimyangar Longkumar, Adv.
Ms. Ishika Neogi, Adv.

Mr. Lokesh Sinhal, Sr. A.A.G.
Mr. Samar Vijay Singh, AOR
Ms. Sabarni Som, Adv.
Mr. Nikunj Gupta, Adv.
Ms. Aakanksha, Adv.
Ms. Ishika Gupta, Adv.
Mr. Aman Dev Sharma, Adv.
Mr. Gaj Singh, Adv.
Mr. Vikas Singh Jangra, Adv.
Mr. Bhakti Vardhan Singh, Adv.
Mr. Pawan Kishore Singh, Adv.
Mr. Amit Ojha, Adv.

Mr. Amit Kumar, Sr. Adv., Advocate General
Mr. Avijit Mani Tripathi, AOR
Mr. Aditya S. Pandey, Adv.
Mr. Luv Kumar, Adv.
Mr. Aditya Kumar, Adv.
Mr. T.k. Nayak, Adv.

Mr. Kapil Sibal, Sr. Adv.
Mr. Kunal Vajani, Adv.
Mr. Kunal Mimani, AOR
Ms. Shraddha Chirania, Adv.
Ms. Aparajita Jamwal, Adv.

Mr. Rishabh Parikh, Adv.
Mr. Abhijit Chimni, Adv.

Mr. Anand Sharma, Adv.
Mr. Arman Roop Sharma, Adv.
Ms. Shimpay Sharma, Adv.
Mr. Mohd. Aman Khan Afghani, Adv.
Ms. Priya Pachoury, Adv.
Mr. Nishkarsh Kumar Pharswal, Adv.
Mr. Pramod Tiwari, Adv.
Mr. Vivek Tiwari, Adv.
Ms. Priyanka Dubey, Adv.
Dr. Vinod Kumar Tewari, AOR

Mr. Maninder Singh, Sr. Adv.
Mr. Shiv Mangal Sharma, A.A.G.
Mr. Prabhas Bajaj, Adv.
Mr. Kartikeya Asthana, Adv.
Ms. Sonali Gaur, Adv.
Mr. Rangasaran Mohan, Adv.
Mr. Amarpal Singh Dua, Adv.
Mr. Milind Rai, Adv.
Ms. Nidhi Jaswal, AOR

Mr. K N Balgopal, Adv.General/Nagaland
Ms. K. Enatoli Sema, AOR
Mr. Amit Kumar Singh, Adv.
Ms. Chubalemla Chang, Adv.
Mr. Prang Newmai, Adv.
Mr. Vitso Rio, Adv.
Ms. Nitya Nambiar, Adv.
Ms. Yanmi Phazng, Adv.

Mr. K.K.venugopal, Sr. Adv.
Mr. P.V. Surenderanath, Sr. Adv.
Mr. C. K. Sasi, AOR
Mr. Sidhant Kohli, Adv.
Ms. Meena K Poullose, Adv.
Mr. Sawan Kumar Shukla, Adv.

Mr. Maninderjit Singh Bedi, Advocate General
Mr. Shadan Farasat, AAG, Sr. Adv.
Mr. Vivek Jain, A.A.G.
Mr. Rajat Bhardwaj, A.A.G.
Mr. Mohd Irshad, A.A.G.
Mr. Maninder Singh, A.A.G.
Mr. Karan Sharma, AOR
Mr. Sadiq Noor, Adv.
Ms. Natasha Maheshwari, Adv.
Ms. Varisha Sharma, Adv.
Mr. Kaustubh Chaturvedi, Adv.
Mr. Sidhant Sharma, Adv.

Mr. Mohit Siwach, Adv.

Mr. Manish Kumar, AOR
Mr. Kumar Saurav, Adv.

Mr. Basava Prabhu S Patil, Adv. Gen./Sikkim
Mr. Sameer Abhyankar, AOR
Ms. Ripul Swati Kumari, Adv.
Mr. Krishna Rastogi, Adv.
Mr. Arijeet Shukla, Adv.
Mr. Samarth Kashyap, Adv.

Mr. Pitambar Acharya, Advocate General
Mr. Prasenjeet Mohapatra, Adv.
Ms. Samapika Biswal, AOR
Ms. Soumya Sannidhanam, Adv.
Ms. Mehak Kumar, Adv.
Ms. Shailja Singh, Adv.
Mr. Ruturaj Satapathy, Adv.
Ms. Sukanya Das, Adv.
Ms. Visakha Raghuram, Adv.
Ms. Somkeerti V Singhdeo, Adv.

Mr. S Niranjan Reddy, Sr. Adv.
Ms. Devina Sehgal, AOR
Mr. Kumar Vaibhaw, Adv.
Mr. Vineet George, Adv.
Ms. Akhila, Adv.

Mr. Sidharth Luthra, Sr. Adv.
Mr. Guntur Pramod Kumar, AOR
Ms. Prerna Singh, Adv.
Mr. Dhananjay Dutta Shrimali, Adv.
Mr. Karl P. Rustomkhan, Adv.

Ms. Deepanwita Priyanka, AOR

Mr. Harish Salve, Sr. Adv.
Mr. Siddharth Dharmadhikari, Adv.
Mr. Aaditya Aniruddha Pande, AOR
Mr. Shrirang B. Varma, Adv.
Mr. Bharat Bagla, Adv.
Mr. Sourav Singh, Adv.
Mr. Aditya Krishna, Adv.
Mr. Adarsh Dubey, Adv.
Ms. Chitransha Singh Sikarwar, Adv.

Mr. Vivek Sharma, AOR
Dr. Vijay Kumar Sharma, Adv.

Mr. Neeraj Kishan Kaul, Sr. Adv.
Mr. Harmeet Singh Ruprah, DAG

Mr. Sarad Kumar Singhanian, AOR
Mr. Yashraj Singh Bundela, Adv.
Mr. P.S. Razdan, Adv.
Ms. Mrinal Elkar Mazumdar, Adv.
Mr. Dhruv Sharma, Adv.
Ms. Ira S. Mahajan, Adv.
Mr. Varad Kohle, Adv.
Mr. Sawmitr Kumar, Adv.
Mr. Utit Sidhra, Adv.
Mr. Toshiv Goyal, Adv.
Mr. Raghav Agarwal, Adv.

Mr. Sudarshan Singh Rawat, AOR
Ms. Saakshi Singh Rawat, Adv.

For Intervenor(s) Ms. Charu Mathur, AOR

For Intervenor(s) Mr. Gopal Sankaranarayanan, Sr. Adv.
Mr. Vishal Sinha, Adv.
Mr. Gautam Bhatia, Adv.
Mr. Shrutanjaya Bhardwaj, Adv.
Mr. Madhav Gupta, Adv.
Ms. Anindita Mitra, AOR

For Intervenor(s) Mr. Gopal Sankarnarayan, Sr. Adv.
Mr. Gaurav Kumar, Adv.
Mr. Vishal Sinha, Adv.
Mr. Shailendra Mani Tripathi, Adv.
Mr. Naman Shrestha, Adv.
Ms. Pooja Shilpkar, Adv.
Mr. Rakesh Kumar, Adv.
Mr. Madhav Gupta, Adv.
Mr. Chand Qureshi, AOR
Ms. Durgesh Thapa, Adv.
Mr. Vijay Kumar, Adv.
Mr. Chandan Kumar Mandal, Adv.
Mr. Mujahid Ahmad, Adv.
Mrs. Parveen Qureshi, Adv.

For Intervenor(s) Mr. Barun Kumar Sinha, Adv.
Mrs. Pratibha Sinha, Adv.
Mr. Sneha Vardhan, Adv.
Mr. Pankaj Kumar Shukla, Adv.
Mr. Chhail Bihari Singh, Adv.
Mr. Rakesh Mudgal, Adv.
Mr. Ritu Raj, Adv.
Mrs. Kanika, Adv.
Mr. Sidhant Thakur, Adv.
Mr. Neeraj, Adv.
Mr. Rahul G Tanwani, Adv.
Mr. Anantha Narayana M.G., AOR

For Intervenor(s) Mr. P. Wilson, Sr. Adv.
Mr. Richardson Wilson, Adv.
Mr. Apurv Malhotra, Adv.
Mr. Lokesh Krishna, Adv.
Mr. Ankit Sharma, Adv.
Ms. Anuradha Arputham, AOR
Mr. Aravind, Adv.
Mr. Sarvan Raghunandhan, Adv.
Mr. Aditya Ojha, Adv.

For Intervenor(s) Mr. A.D.N. Rao, Sr. Adv.
Dr. Suvidutt M.S., AOR
Ms. Deepika Singh, Adv.
Ms. Disha Puri, Adv.

For Intervenor(s) Mr. Sudiep Shrivastava, Adv.
Mr. Pranav Sachdeva, AOR
Ms. Neha Rathi, Adv.
Mr. Abhay Nair, Adv.
Mr. P. Rohit Ram, Adv.
Mr. Sanyam Jain, Adv.

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

1. Arguments heard, which remained inconclusive.
2. For further hearing, list on 21.08.2025 as part heard.

(NARENDRA PRASAD)
DEPUTY REGISTRAR

(ANJU KAPOOR)
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR