

ITEM NO.17+39

COURT NO.1

SECTION PIL-W

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

Miscellaneous Application No. 2259/2024

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 17-10-2024
in D No. 46734/2024 passed by the Supreme Court of India]

ZAHoor AHMAD BHAT & ANR.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA

Respondent(s)

FOR ADMISSION and IA No.249850/2024-APPEAL AGAINST REGISTRARS ORDER
XV RULE 5

WITH

MA 2375/2024 (PIL-W)

(IA No. 257275/2024 - APPEAL AGAINST REGISTRARS ORDER XV RULE 5 AND
IA No. 257278/2024 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL
DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES)

CONMT.PET.(C) No. 581/2025 in W.P.(C) No. 1099/2019 (PIL-W)

W.P.(C) No. 894/2025 (PIL-W)
(FOR ADMISSION)

Diary No(s). 58144/2025

Date : 10-10-2025 This petition was 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. We have heard Mr. Gopal Sankaranarayanan, Dr. Menaka Guruswamy, Mr. Dinesh Dwivedi, Mr. M. K Bhardwaj & Mr. Prashanto Chandra Sen, learned senior counsel appearing for the applicants/petitioners and Mr. Tushar Mehta, learned Solicitor General of India appearing for the respondent-Union of India.
2. It is submitted on behalf of the applicants/petitioners that the learned Solicitor General had made a statement before a Constitution Bench of this Court that was hearing the matter i.e. W.P.(C) No. 1099 of 2019 titled as "In Re: Article 370 of the Constitution" that the statehood would be restored to the Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir.
3. It is further submitted that in an order passed by one of the learned Judges of this Court in the said matter, it was stated that Statehood would be restored after the elections to the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir Assembly are held.
4. It is also submitted that the Cabinet of the Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir passed a resolution on 18.10.2024 requesting the Union of India to take up the matter of restoration of statehood.
5. Learned Solicitor General of India states that the election to the Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir Assembly was conducted peacefully and an elected Government has been

put in place. He further submits that during the last six years, there has been a substantial progress in the Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir. However, he points out that certain incidents, including the recent Pahalgam incident, will have to be taken into consideration before arriving at a final decision on the issue. He further states that the Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir and the Union of India are in consultation on the said issue.

6. Learned Solicitor General of India seeks some more time to respond to the submissions made by the learned counsel for the applicants/petitioners.

7. We grant four weeks' time to the learned Solicitor General of India to file a response to the submissions advanced by the learned counsel for the applicants/petitioners.

8. List these matters after four weeks.

(DEEPAK SINGH)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(ANJU KAPOOR)
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR