

ITEM NO.8+44

COURT NO.3

SECTION XVI

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

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (C) No(s).27280/2024

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 12-09-2024 in LPA No.775/2024 passed by the High Court of Judicature at Patna]

STATE ELECTION COMMISSION OF BIHAR, PATNA & ANR. Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

BILTU RAY @ BILAT RAY @ BILAT PRASAD YADAV & ORS. Respondent(s)

(IA No.264058/2024-EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT and IA No.264056/2024-EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

With

SLP(C)No.24957/2024(XVI)

(FOR ADMISSION and IA No.240875/2024-EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T. and IA No.240874/2024-PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES)

Date : 02-12-2024 These petitions were called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURYA KANT  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE UJJAL BHUYAN

For Petitioner(s) Mr. Gaurav Agarwal, Sr. Adv.  
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For Respondent(s) Mr. Ashwini Kumar Singh, Sr. Adv.  
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Ms. Astha Singh, Adv.

Mr. Manish Kumar, AOR

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

SLP(C)No.24957/2024

1. During the course of hearing, learned Senior Counsel for the petitioner submits, and rightly so, that in light of the

observations made by the High Court, the competent authority to grant citizenship to a citizen is the Union of India, and hence the Union of India is a proper, if not necessary, party to these proceedings. Consequently, the Union of India through the Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs be impleaded as party respondent No.7 in the instant petition.

2. Amended memo of parties be filed within two days.

3. The newly added respondent be served through dasti notice, returnable on 09.12.2024.

**SLP(C)No.27280/2024**

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2. Amended memo of parties be filed within two days.

3. Issue notice, returnable on 09.12.2024.

4. Dasti, in addition, is permitted.

**(SATISH KUMAR YADAV)**  
**ADDITIONAL REGISTRAR**

**(PREETHI T.C.)**  
**ASSISTANT REGISTRAR**