



CWPIL No.3 of 2020 a/w
CWP No.2795 of 2021.

07.07.2021 Present: CWPIL No.3 of 2020.
Court on its own motion.

Mr. Ajay Vaidya, Sr. Additional Advocate General,
for the respondents/State.

CWP No.2795 of 2021.

Ms. Vandana Misra, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Ajay Vaidya, Sr. Additional Advocate General,
for the respondents/State.

Mr. Balram Sharma, Assistant Solicitor General of
India, for the respondent-Union of India.

(Through Video Conferencing)

The learned Sr. Additional Advocate General has placed on record the various efforts made by the State in order to control the spread of the COVID-19 virus. Submissions were also made by Ms. Vandana Misra, learned counsel for the petitioner as well as Mr. B.C. Negi, learned Senior Counsel as Amicus Curiae, assisted by Ms. Shreya Chauhan and Mr. Nitin Thakur, learned Counsels, in CWPIL No.11 of 2020 and CWP No.2687 of 2020.

2. We are aware of the work done by the State in this regard and we are also conscious of the fact that much more is required to be done. The issues pertaining to each District, varies with one another. There cannot be

a same set of guidelines for the entire State. It is for this purpose we feel that a local Monitoring Committee would be more useful in such circumstances.

3. Therefore, we deem it just and appropriate to constitute a District Monitoring Committee for each District. The said Committee shall consist of the Deputy Commissioner of each District, the Secretary of the District Legal Services Authority and the President of the Bar Association at the District Headquarter. In case the President is a senior citizen and not willing to participate in the Committee, he may nominate a person on his behalf to do so. The Deputy Commissioner shall be the Chairperson of the Committee. The meetings shall be held in his office.

4. The Committee is constituted to perform the following functions among others:-

- (i) To visit the towns, cities, villages in each one of the Districts in order to ascertain the situation with regard to COVID-19;
- (ii) Whether the assistance from the Government is adequate to meet the challenges thereon;

- (iii) What is required to be done in order to ensure that the spread of COVID-19 is curtailed;
- (iv) What is required to be done in order to ensure preparedness for the third wave;
- (v) They shall visit the Primary Health Care Centers, the area where the medical facilities are provided and the areas of such like nature;
- (vi) The Committee may seek the assistance of any other persons in the performance of their duties;
- (vii) All the activities of the Committee shall be in tune with the prevalent SOPs and guidelines regarding COVID-19;
- (viii) The Committee shall submit a weekly report to the Registry of this Court on or before the Tuesday of every week by email. Thereafter, Registry shall transmit the same to the respective counsels;
- (ix) The Bench would interact with the Committee on 14th July, 2021 at 02.00 p.m. through video conferencing. The Committee can meet as many times as is required; and

- (x) The first meeting of the Committee shall be held on 10th July, 2021 at 05.00 p.m.

5. Post alongwith CWPIIL No.11 of 2020 and CWP No.2687 of 2020. These matters shall be taken up at 02.00 p.m. every Wednesday, to consider the reports that would be filed on Tuesday. The copy of this order shall be furnished forthwith to each one of the Committee Members as well as learned counsels appearing for the parties.

Call on 14th July, 2021 at 02.00 p.m.

**(Ravi Malimath)
Acting Chief Justice**

**(Jyotsna Rewal Dua)
Judge**

July 07, 2021
(Yashwant)