

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

Writ Petition(s)(Civil) No(s).900/2020

INDIAN COMMERCIAL AND ARBITRATION
BAR ASSOCIATION (ICABA)

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.

Respondent(s)

Date : 24-09-2026 This petition was called on for hearing today.

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JOYMALYA BAGCHI
HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE V. MOHANA

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

1. With reference to our order dated 10.08.2026, Ms. Anannya Ghosh, learned counsel for the petitioners, has pointed out that compliance reports from some of the High Courts are still awaited. Of the 10 High Courts identified by her, we are informed that Gauhati High Court and High Court of Uttarakhand have already filed their respective compliance reports, whereas the High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh is expected to file its compliance report during the course of the day. The Patna High Court and the High Court of Himachal Pradesh have sought, and are accordingly granted, two weeks' further time to file their respective compliance reports.

2. Unfortunately, the High Courts of Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Orissa, Telangana, and Tripura are unrepresented. Neither have they filed their respective compliance reports nor is any counsel present on their behalf.

3. In these circumstances, the Registry is directed to issue notices to the Registrars General of the aforesaid High Courts and seek an explanation for non-compliance of our order dated 10.08.2026. The said High Courts are also well advised to ensure that their compliance reports are filed within two weeks. It may be

noted that all the other High Courts, save and except those specifically mentioned hereinabove, have already filed their compliance reports.

4. Upon receipt of compliance reports from all the High Courts, learned counsel for the petitioners may prepare a tabulated chart depicting the State-wise trends in the growth of commercial litigation and the consequential estimated requirement of additional Commercial Courts.

5. Post this matter on 30.11.2026 for further consideration.

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ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(PREETHI DILEEP KUMAR)
DY. REGISTRAR