ITEM NO.301 COURT NO.6 SECTION XVII-B

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

CONTEMPT PEETITION (Crl.) No. 3/2026

SUPREME COURT BAR ASSOCIATION Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

PRAVIN SINGHAL Respondent(s)

IA No. 354878/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

Date : 18-11-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DIPANKAR DATTA
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. Having perused the papers placed before us, which includes the requisite

consent of the learned Attorney General for India under Section 15(1)(b) of the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971, we are *prima facie* satisfied that the motion made by the petitioner - Supreme Court Bar Association - for initiation of proceedings against the sole respondent / alleged contemnor for the alleged derogatory remarks referred to in the petition together with the attempt to scandalise the authority of the Court deserves to be taken forward.

2. We direct issuance of notice to the sole respondent / alleged contemnor qua prayers 'a' and 'b' for the present, returnable on 20th January, 2027.

3. The sole respondent / alleged contemnor may respond to the notice by filing a reply affidavit by 8th January, 2027.

4. Rejoinder thereto, if any, may be filed by 13th January, 2027.

5. The sole respondent / alleged contemnor shall remain personally present on the returnable date.

6. We would invite the assistance of learned Solicitor General of India on the returnable date.

7. We grant liberty to the advocate-on-record for the petitioner to effect correction in prayer 'b'.

(JATINDER KAUR)
P.S. to REGISTRAR

(SUDHIR KUMAR SHARMA)
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