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Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (C) No(s). 31004/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 11-08-2026 in WRITC No. 8471/2026 passed by the High Court of Judicature at Allahabad, Lucknow Bench]

VRC-R AND C INFRA JOINT VENTURE OF
M/S VRC CONSTRUCTIONS (INDIA) PRIVATE
LIMITED AND M/S R AND C INFRA ENGINEERS
PRIVATE LIMITED & ORS.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.

Respondent(s)

(FOR ADMISSION
IA No. 262030/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.
IA No. 263289/2026 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL
DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES)

Date : 07-09-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE K.V. VISWANATHAN
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN PALLI

For Petitioner(s) :

Dr. Abhishek Manu Singhvi, Sr. Adv.
Mr. Gopal Sankaranarayanan, Sr. Adv.
Mr. Amit Bhandari, Adv.
Mr. Abhishek Tripathi, AOR
Mr. Shourya Dasgupta, Adv.
Ms. Indumugi C, Adv.

For Respondent(s) :

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

1. Heard Dr. Abhishek Manu Singhvi and Mr. Gopal Sankaranarayanan, learned senior counsels appearing for the petitioners.

2. Learned senior counsels submit that the implementing agency has concluded that the accident was an "unforeseen equipment failure" and not a "catastrophic event". Learned senior counsels submit that, in the short span of four months, the petitioners have been kept out of many contracts worth approximately Rs.10,000 crores, and the figure is only mounting with the passage of time.

3. We have considered the submissions of the learned senior counsels. We find that the main matter is listed before the High Court on 28th September, 2026.

4. Considering the urgency of the matter, we request the High Court to make an endeavour to hear and dispose of the matter on 28th September, 2026 itself or on such earlier date, as the High Court may deem appropriate.

5. At this stage, learned senior counsels submit that the petitioners should be allowed to participate in the bids, while the final decisions may await the disposal of the writ petition by the High Court.

6. The petitioners, if so advised, may make an appropriate prayer in this regard to the High Court. The High Court shall consider the writ petition and such prayers uninfluenced by any of the observations in the impugned order or in the order that we have presently passed today.

7. With the above observations, the Special Leave Petition is disposed of.

8. Pending applications shall stand disposed of.

(ANITA MALHOTRA)
DEPUTY REGISTRAR

(MANOJ KUMAR)
COURT MASTER