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W.P(Crl.)No. 206-210 OF 2003

ITEM No.102

Court No. 1

SECTION X/IX

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

Writ Petition (Crl.) Nos. 206-210 of 2003

N. Ravi & Ors.... Petitioner(s)

vs.

Speaker, Legislative Assembly, Chennai & Ors.... Respondent(s)

(with appln.(s) for stay and with office report)

with

Writ Petition (Civil) No. 508 of 2003 (S. Selvam vs. State Government of Tamilnadu & Ors.) (with appln.(s) for stay and with office report)

Special Leave Petition (Civil) No. 11540/2004 (B. Krishna Bhat vs. Union of India & Ors.) (with appln.(s) for exemption from filing c/c of the impugned judgment and with prayer for interim relief)

Date: 08/12/2004 This/These matter(s) was/were called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE G.P. MATHUR

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

SLP(C) No. 11540/2004

Service is not complete.

The hearing in this matter is separated. List after service is complete.

W.P.(Crl.) 206-210/2003 & W.P.(C) No. 508/2003

We have heard the learned counsel for the parties. Pandit M.S.M. Sharma Vs. Shri Sri Krishna Sinha & Ors. 1959 Supp. (1) SCR 806 is a Constitution Bench decision (Five Judges). Certain observations made in Special Reference No. 1 of 1964 (1965) 1 SCR 413 extensively read out by Mr. Harish N. Salve, the learned senior counsel, run in conflict with the law laid down in Pandit M.S.M. Sharma's case (supra); though in Special Reference No. 1/1964 (supra), a Seven Judge Bench (at page 453) expressed an opinion that they were in agreement with the majority decision in Pandit M.S.M. Sharma's case (supra). Shri Salve further submitted that the issue has v

ery wide ramifications and is likely to arise in future and needs to be settled authoritatively.

Let the matter be placed for consideration by a Seven Judge Bench.

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