ITEM NO.101 COURT NO.2 SECTION XVII-A

SUPREME COURT OF INDIA RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Original Suit (s). No(s). 6/1996

THE STATE OF HARYANA

DEPARTMENT OF IRRIGATION THE SECRETARY

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

THE STATE OF PUNJAB & ANR.

([TO GO BEFORE THREE HON'BLE JUDGES]

Respondent(s)

TA NO 400000 (0000 APPLICATION FOR DEDUCT

IA No. 196825/2022 - APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION IA No. 87466/2020 - APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION

IA No. 145682/2019 - INTERVENTION APPLICATION)

WITH

W.P.(C) No. 455/2005 (PIL-W)

CONMT.PET.(C) No. 511/2004 In ORGNL.SUIT No. 6/1996 (XVII-A)

Date: 04-10-2023 These matters were called on for hearing today.

CORAM:

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

We are concerned with the execution of a decree for construction of the Satluj-Yamuna Link Canal in the Punjab portion as Haryana has already constructed the canal. The land was acquired and construction was commenced even in Punjab though there may be difference in estimates to what extent construction has already been completed in Punjab.

The State of Punjab endeavoured to release the land to the farmers, which action has been stayed by this Court and Receiver appointed.

We would like the Union of India to survey the portion of the land of Punjab allocated for the project to ensure that the land is protected, as the Punjab Government could not have released the land,

their action having been stayed.

An estimate can also be made as to what is the extent of construction which has already been carried out in Punjab.

Learned counsel for the State of Punjab did endevour to persuade us that with the passage of time, the availability of water has become less and thus, the share of Haryana being purportedly less and that can be satisfied by other measures. We may note that it has already been settled that the execution does not deal with the allocation of water.

In the meantime, the mediation process should be actively pursued by the Central Government.

We have asked for some information from the learned ASG who has assured that the information will be placed before the Court.

List on the first non-miscellaneous Tuesday in the month of January, 2024.

IA No.196825/2022- FOR APPEAL UNDER XV RULE 5

The parties to complete pleadings in the meantime, if not already done, and this application will also be taken up separately on the next date.

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ASTT. REGISTRAR CUM PS

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