Chief Justice's Court

Case: - PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION (PIL) No. - 574 of 2020

Petitioner :- In-Re Inhuman Condition At Quarantine Centres And For Providing Better Treatment To Corona Positive

Respondent :- State of U.P.

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Hon'ble Sanjay Yadav, Chief Justice Hon'ble Prakash Padia, J.

The matter is taken up today through video conferencing.

An affidavit of compliance was filed on 27.5.2021 and another affidavit filed on 7.6.2021 by the State of Uttar Pradesh are taken on record.

Affidavit filed by the Central Government on 7.6.2021 is also taken on record.

We are apprised through these affidavits as regards to the steps taken by the State of Uttar Pradesh and its functionaries to meet out the challenge put forth by the recent upsurge of Covid-19 as well as the steps taken by the Central Government.

The State Government in its affidavit filed on 27.5.2021 has adverted to the steps taken by them in Districts Bahraich, Bijnor, Barabanki, Shrawasti and Jaunpur and in the affidavit filed on 7.6.2021 has adverted to steps taken in Districts Bhadohi, Ghazipur, Balia, Deoria and Shamli.

It is further stated that the Government is monitoring the situation of pandemic regularly through Integrated Covid Control and Health Command Center (ICCC) Swasthya Bhawan. It is also stated that 73 Covid hospitals have been established in District Lucknow and 33 L-1, 23 L-2 and 12 L-3 Level hospitals are functional in Lucknow.

As regard to the districts adverted above, there are L-1, L-2 and L-3 hospitals are functional and the functioning are regularly monitored vide Integrated Covid Control and Health Command Center.

However, we perceive that the State Government has not divulged in respect of steps taken by it to upgrade the Primary Health Centres and Community Health Centres by posting doctors and para medical staff as well as upgrading the infrastructure therein.

In view whereof, let an affidavit be filed by the State Government disclosing the present status as regards to the action taken by the State Government to meet out the challenge of pandemic across the State. Information in respect of the future plan to meet out the future challenges be also adverted to; as also the steps taken by the State Government to upgrade the Primary Health Centres and Community Health Centres across the State.

Let the affidavit be filed within a period of 15 days. List on **8**th **July, 2021** along with other connected matters in the additional cause list.

Meanwhile the State Government shall ensure strict compliance of the orders issued from time to time by the State to meet out the challenges at State, Division, District and Village level and take action against those who are found derelicting in duties and found violating the orders passed by the State from time to time.

Order Date :- 17.6.2021

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(Prakash Padia, J) (Sanjay Yadav, Chief Justice)