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ITEM NO.22   COURT NO.10   SECTION XIA

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

                         I.A. No.3 in
Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (Civil) No(s).7716/2013

(From the judgement and order dated 10/07/2012 in OP No.1576/2012 of the
HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM)

B.S.N.L. & ANR.   Petitioner(s)

                    VERSUS

M. SETHUMADHAVAN & ORS.   Respondent(s)

(For impleadment as party respondent)

Date: 10/03/2014 This Petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :
        HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE V. GOPALA GOWDA
                                    (In Chambers)

For Petitioner(s)   Mr. Nikilesh Ramachandran,Adv.
                       Mr. Anurag Gohil,Adv.
                       Mr. Prayuman Cheedi,Adv.
                       Mr. A.K. Singh,Adv.

For Respondent(s)   Mr. Venkita Subramoniam T.R.,Adv.

                       Ms. Rani Chhabra,Adv.
                       Ms. Priyanka Sony,Adv.

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

          Heard the learned counsel for the applicant and learned
    counsel for the respondents. It is stated in the application for
    impleadment that the applicant proposed to be impleaded as respondent
    is similarly placed to that of the respondents in this special leave
    petition. The respondents employees got the orders from the Central
    Administrative Tribunal in their favour which was upheld by the High
    Court. That order was challenged by the petitioners-employer before
    this Court by filing special leave petition. It is further stated that
    the members of the applicant Association could approach the High
    Court, further any decision that will be taken in the special leave
    petition will affect the rights of members of the applicant
    Association. Though the petitioners-employers have filed statement of
    objections to the application filed for impleadment, there is no
    averment to the effect that the members of the applicant Association
    are not similarly placed as that of the respondents-employees and it
    has not denied the above fact. Therefore, in my considered view they
    appear to be necessary parties. The application for impleadment is
    therefore allowed. Learned counsel for the petitioners may amend the
    cause title within two weeks.

    (A.S. BISHT)   (S.S.R. KRISHNA)
    A.R.-CUM-P.S.   COURT MASTER