ITEM NO.10 Court 4 (Video Conferencing)

SECTION II-A

SUPREME COURT OF INDIA RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Petition for Special Leave to Appeal (Crl.) No(s). 4320/2020

(Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 08-05-2020 in BA No. 485/2020 passed by the 4^{th} Additional Sessions Judge, Sagar, M.P.)

TAPAS BASAK

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

THE STATE OF MADHYA PRADESH

Respondent(s)

IA No. 90293/2020 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING AFFIDAVIT

IA No. 90291/2020 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED

JUDGMENT

IA No. 90292/2020 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

Date: 06-11-2020 These matters were called on for hearing today.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A.M. KHANWILKAR HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DINESH MAHESHWARI HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV KHANNA

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

We decline to interfere in this special leave petition. The special leave petition is, accordingly, dismissed.

However, we are at a loss to comprehend the time taken by the trial Court to conclude the trial despite the peremptory directions given by this Court vide order dated 02.12.2019. The explanation given by the counsel appearing for the prosecution does not impress us at all. Hence, we direct the Investigating Officer to ensure that the trial is completed by the end of January, 2021, failing which he shall be personally responsible and proceeded with appropriately by this Court.

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Although we are dismissing the special leave petition, for reporting compliance the matter be posted in the first week of February, 2021, for orders.

The copy of this order be forwarded forthwith to the Trial Court on email/online, who shall ensure that the trial is concluded within the time granted as aforesaid.

Pending applications stand disposed of.

(CHARANJEET KAUR) ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(VIDYA NEGI) **COURT MASTER (NSH)**