ITEM NO.17 COURT NO.1 SECTION X

SUPREME COURT OF INDIA RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Writ Petition (Civil) No.1077/2023

JAYANT PATIL Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

THE SPEAKER MAHARASHTRA STATE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY Respondent(s)

(With IA No.199789/2023-EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

WITH W.P.(C) No.685/2023 (X)

(With IA No.205221/2023 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS, IA No. 145688/2023 - INTERVENTION APPLICATION, IA No.145456/2023 - INTERVENTION APPLICATION, IA No.147986/2023 - INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT, IA No.192821/2023 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES and IA No.190001/2023 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES)

Date: 30-10-2023 These petitions 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

- 1 We have repeatedly furnished opportunities to the Speaker, as the tribunal to conclude the proceedings under the Tenth Schedule expeditiously.
- An affidavit has been filed by the Secretary of the Maharashtra Legislature Secretariat. The affidavit indicates that there are two groups of disqualification petitions: (i) Group A which consists of 34 petitions concerning the Shiv Sena; and (ii) Group B which deals with 5 petitions concerning the Nationalist Congress Party. The affidavit indicates that the Legislative Secretariat will be closed during the ensuing Diwali vacation from 10 to 16 November 2023 and the Winter Session of the Assembly at Nagpur will be held between 7 December 2023 to 20 December 2023.
- 3 The procedural wranglings between contesting parties should not be permitted to delay the conclusion of the petitions for disqualification under

the Tenth Schedule. The proceedings shall be concluded and final orders shall be passed in respect of Group A petitions on or before 31 December 2023; and Group B petitions on or before 31 January 2024.

- During the course of the hearing, it has been agreed that the convenience compilation which was filed before this Court in the course of the hearing before the Constitution Bench shall be taken on the record before the Speaker subject to admission and denial of documents which shall be concluded within a week from the date of this order.
- 5 List the Petitions in the first week of January 2024.

(CHETAN KUMAR) A.R.-cum-P.S. (SAROJ KUMARI GAUR) Assistant Registrar