ITEM NO.1 COURT NO.11 SECTION PIL-W

SUPREME COURT OF INDIA RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

<u>IA 36553/2024, IN WRIT PETITION (CIVIL)</u> NO. 406/2013

IN RE: INHUMAN CONDITIONS IN 1382 PRISONS

[MR. GAURAV AGRAWAL, ADVOCATE IS AMICUS CURIAE.]

(IA No. 36553/2024 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS)

Date: 16-02-2024 This matter was called on for hearing today.

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For National Forum for Prison Reform (Intervenor in IA 6/2016)

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

IA No. 36553/2024

- 1. This application has been moved by learned Amicus Curiae praying *inter alia* that besides the members identified by this Court to be part of a Committee in each State Government/Union Territory in terms of para 7 of the order passed on 30th January,2024, the senior most lady judicial officer in the District may also be included as a part of the Committee to give a fair assessment of the available security measures/hygiene measures/health care infrastructure/welfare of women prisoners/facilities for children lodged with their mothers in jails/barracks in each district. The said Committee may also include the Superintendent of Women Jails/women barracks, wherever possible.
- Issue notice.
- 3. Ms. Aishwarya Bhati, learned Additional Solicitor General for the Central Government and learned counsel of all the State Governments/Union Territories accept notice.

- 4. The prayer made as above is allowed.
- 5. All the State Governments/Union Territories are directed to bring this order to the notice of the Committee directed to be constituted in terms of the last order passed by this Court so as to expand the scope of the steps required to be taken for setting up new jails/expand the existing facilities in jails so that the aspects particularly relating to women who are lodged in jail can be addressed holistically.
- 6. The date already fixed for receiving the status reports is maintained for the inputs from each State Governments/Union Territories.
- 7. List on 09th April, 2024 at 2.30 p.m.

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