ITEM NO.301 COURT NO.2 SECTION X

SUPREME COURT OF INDIA RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Writ Petition(s)(Civil) No(s).1393/2019

SHIV SENA & ORS.

PETITIONER(S)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.

RESPONDENT(S)

(FOR ADMISSION and IA No.179675/2019-APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS)

Date: 24-11-2019 This petition was called on for hearing today.

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

Issue notice.

It was brought to our notice by the learned Senior counsels appearing for the petitioners that they have served the respondents through e.mail. However, there is no representation for Respondent Nos.2, 3 and 4.

Mr. Tushar Mehta, learned Solicitor General appearing for the Union of India is willing to produce the relevant record, if necessary, from the Governor also.

Mr. Mukul Rohatgi, learned Senior counsel who is appearing for some BJP MLAs and two independent MLAs, who are not parties to this Writ Petition, opposed the entertaining of the Writ Petition as well as passing of any order.

We have taken note of all the arguments, particularly the argument that the Governor's decision dated 23-11-2019 inviting the Respondent No.3 to form а Government on 23-11-2019 is unconstitutional. With regard to the second prayer as at `b', we are not going to consider the same at present. As adjudication of the issues and also the interim prayers sought by the petitioners to conduct floor test within 24 hours has to be considered after perusing the order of the Governor as well as the letters submitted by Mr. Devendra Fadnavis - Respondent No.3, even though none appeared for the State Government, we request Mr. Tushar Mehta to produce those two letters by tomorrow morning at 10.30 a.m. when the matter will be taken up, so that appropriate order will be passed.

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COURT MASTER (SH)

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