ITEM NO.14 COURT NO.3 **SECTION X**

SUPREME COURT OF INDIA **RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

SPECIAL LEAVE PETITION (CIVIL) Diary No(s). 41232/2025

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 11-07-2025 in WPMB No. 503/2025 passed by the High Court of Uttarakhand at Nainital]

STATE ELECTION COMMISSION

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

SHAKTI SINGH BHARTHWAL & ANR.

Respondent(s)

IA No. 236990/2025 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN REFILING / CURING THE DEFECTS

IA No. 236987/2025 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED **JUDGMENT**

IA No. 236986/2025 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

Date: 26-09-2025 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKRAM NATH HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANDEEP MEHTA

For Petitioner(s):

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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following ORDER

Delay condoned.

The State Election Commission of the State Uttarakhand filed this has petition against an interlocutory order passed by the High Court whereby the High Court has given reasons for staying the clarification issued by the Commission on the premise that it was contrary to statutory provisions. Despite our communicating to the learned counsel that the matter does not deserve any interference at least six times the counsel continued to insist that this Court must pass some order.

We are pained at this approach and accordingly, the petition stands dismissed with cost of Rs. 2,00,000/-(Rupees Two Lakhs only) on the Commission to be deposited with the Supreme Court Legal Services Committee within four weeks from today.

Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

(SONIA BHASIN)
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR-CUM-PS

(RANJANA SHAILEY) ASSISTANT REGISTRAR