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\* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ **W.P.(C) 1239/2023 and C.M. No. 4714/2023**

LABOUR LAW ASSOCIATION

..... Petitioner

Through: Mr. Rajiv Agarwal, Ms. Meghna De,  
Ms. L. Gangmei, Advocates.

Versus

UNION OF INDIA & ANR.

..... Respondent

Through: Mr. Pavan Narang, Sr. Panel Counsel  
with Mr. Himanshu Sethi, Ms.  
Aishwarya Chhabra, Advocates  
Ms. Padmapriya, Advocate for Delhi  
High Court.

+ **W.P.(C) 1808/2023**

LABOUR LAW ASSOCIATION

..... Petitioner

Through: Mr. Rajiv Agarwal, Ms. Meghna De,  
Ms. L. Gangmei, Advocates.

Versus

CHIEF LABOUR COMMISSIONER (CENTRAL) AND ANOTHER

..... Respondent

Through: Mr. Pavan Narang, Sr. Panel Counsel  
with Mr. Himanshu Sethi, Ms.  
Aishwarya Chhabra, Advocates.  
Mr. Santosh Kumar Tripathi, SC,  
GNCTD with Mr. Arun Panwar, Mr.  
Pradyumn Rao, Mr. Utkarsh Singh,  
Mr. Kartik Sharma, Ms. Prashansa  
Sharma, Advs.



**CORAM:**  
**HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE**  
**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV NARULA**

**ORDER**  
**23.08.2023**

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The present case relates to shifting of two Central Government Industrial Tribunals cum Labour Courts (CGIT) from Rouse Avenue Courts complex to Shramev Jayate Bhawan, Dwarka.

It has been brought to the notice of this Court by learned counsel appearing for the Petitioner Association that, presently, the Government of NCT of Delhi has set up 10 Labour Courts and 3 Industrial Tribunals which are housed at Rouse Avenue Courts Complex along with two CGIT's. It is stated that the Union of India/ Respondent No.1 has taken a decision to shift the two CGITs from Rouse Avenue Courts Complex to Shramev Jayate Bhawan, Dwarka and by shifting the same, the lawyers and litigants (workmen) will be put to great inconvenience as they would have to shuttle between Rouse Avenue Courts Complex and Dwarka for their matters.

During the course of the hearing, it was put forth to the learned Counsel for Union of India whether all Labour Courts, Industrial Tribunals and CGITs can be shifted to one accommodation as there is a space crunch at Rouse Avenue Courts Complex. To this, learned Counsel for the Union of India states that the 10 Labour Courts and 3 Industrial Tribunals are within the domain of the Government of NCT of Delhi (GNCTD) and any decision to shift the same would require the GNCTD to be impleaded as a party.

Let notice be issued to GNCTD. Mr. Tripathi accepts notice on



behalf of the GNCTD. He prays for 4 weeks' time to file a counter-affidavit. Petitioner shall file amended memo of parties within 2 weeks from today.

Learned counsel for the High Court of Delhi shall also file a counter-affidavit furnishing their comments specifically on the issue whether the Rouse Avenue Courts Complex have adequate space for Labour Courts and Tribunals situated therein.

In the interim, the respondents are directed not to shift the 2 CGITs to any other place until further orders.

List on 05.10.2023.

**SATISH CHANDRA SHARMA, CJ**

**SANJEEV NARULA, J**

**AUGUST 23, 2023/N.Khanna**