#### **SUPREME COURT OF INDIA**

Re: Proposal for transfer of Ms Justice C Sumalatha, Judge, High Court for the State of Telangana

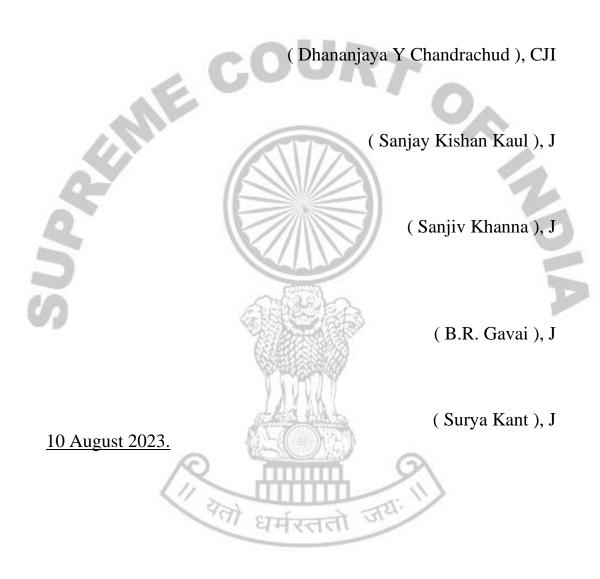
On 3 August 2023, the Collegium proposed the transfer of Ms Justice C Sumalatha, Judge, High Court for the State of Telangana to the High Court of Gujarat, for better administration of justice.

In terms of the Memorandum of Procedure, we have consulted one of the Judges of the Supreme Court who being conversant with the affairs of the High Court for the State of Telangana, is in a position to offer views on the proposed transfer. We have also consulted the Chief Justices of the High Court for the State of Telangana and the High Court of Gujarat.

In her letter dated 5 August 2023 Ms Justice C Sumalatha has requested the Collegium to reconsider the proposal for her transfer and in the alternative, to consider transferring her to a High Court of a neighbouring State i.e. Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka.

We have carefully gone through the requests made by Ms Justice C Sumalatha. The Collegium is of the view that the requests of Ms Justice C Sumalatha for reconsidering the proposal for transfer cannot be accepted. However, the Collegium accedes to her request in regard to the place to which she is being transferred and resolves to recommend that she be transferred to the High Court of

Karnataka instead of the High Court of Gujarat, as proposed by the Collegium on 3 August 2023.



### **SUPREME COURT OF INDIA**

Re: Proposal for transfer of Mr Justice M Sudheer Kumar, Judge, High Court for the State of Telangana.

On 3 August 2023, the Collegium proposed the transfer of Mr Justice M Sudheer Kumar, Judge, High Court for the State of Telangana to the High Court at Calcutta, for better administration of justice.

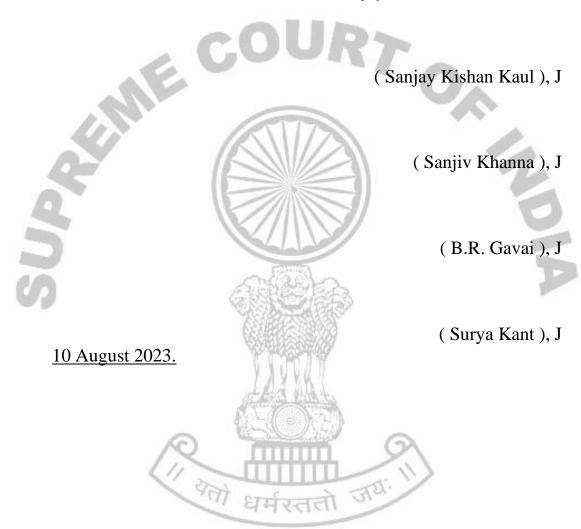
In terms of the Memorandum of Procedure, we have consulted one of the Judges of the Supreme Court who being conversant with the affairs of the High Court for the State of Telangana is in a position to offer views on the proposed transfer. We have also consulted the Chief Justices of the High Court for the State of Telangana and High Court at Calcutta.

Mr Justice M Sudheer Kumar in a letter dated 7 August 2023 has requested the Collegium to reconsider the proposal for his transfer to the High Court at Calcutta. In the alternative, he has sought a transfer to the High Court of Andhra Pradesh, the High Court of Karnataka or the Madras High Court.

We have carefully gone through the request made by Mr Justice M Sudheer Kumar in his above letter. While the Collegium does not

accept the request to reconsider the transfer, it resolves to recommend that he be transferred to the Madras High Court instead of the High Court at Calcutta, as proposed on 3 August 2023.

( Dhananjaya Y Chandrachud ), CJI



### **SUPREME COURT OF INDIA**

Re: Proposal for transfer of Mr Justice Narendar G, Judge, High Court of Karnataka.

On 3 August 2023, the Collegium proposed the transfer of Mr Justice Narendar G, Judge, High Court of Karnataka, to the High Court of Orissa, for better administration of justice.

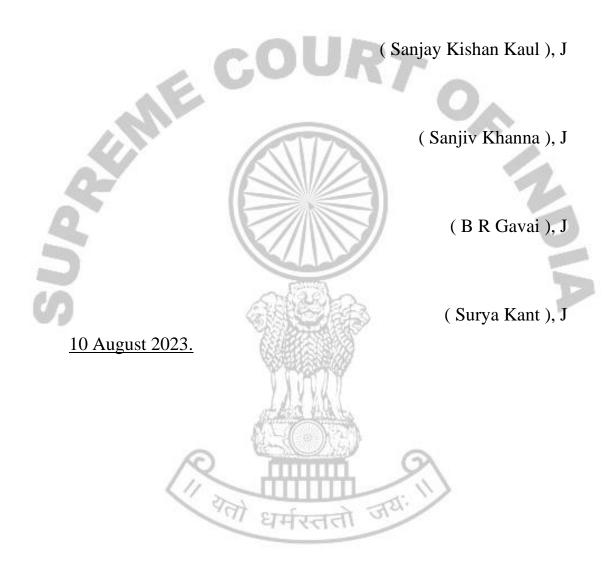
In terms of the Memorandum of Procedure, we have consulted the Judges of the Supreme Court who being conversant with the affairs of the High Court of Karnataka are in a position to offer views on the proposed transfer. We have also consulted the Chief Justices of the High Court of Karnataka and High Court of Orissa.

Mr Justice Narendar G has accepted the proposal for his transfer. He has, however, by a representation dated 6 August 2023 requested for his retention at Bangalore for a period of 3-4 months and has further requested for his transfer to neighbouring States i.e. Telangana, Tamil Nadu or Andhra Pradesh.

We have carefully gone through the request made by Mr Justice Narendar G. The Collegium, resolves to recommend that he be

transferred to the High Court of Andhra Pradesh instead of the High Court of Orissa, as proposed on 3 August 2023.

( Dhananjaya Y Chandrachud ), CJI



### **SUPREME COURT OF INDIA**

Re: Proposal for transfer of Mr Justice Madhuresh Prasad, Judge, High Court of Judicature at Patna.

On 3 August 2023, the Collegium proposed the transfer of Mr Justice Madhuresh Prasad, Judge, High Court of Judicature at Patna, to the High Court at Calcutta, for better administration of justice.

In terms of the Memorandum of Procedure, we have consulted Judges of the Supreme Court who, being conversant with the affairs of the High Court of Judicature at Patna, are in a position to offer views on the proposed transfer. We have also consulted the Chief Justices of the High Court of Judicature at Patna and High Court at Calcutta.

By a letter dated 8 August 2023 Mr Justice Madhuresh Prasad has conveyed his consent to the proposal for his transfer to the High Court at Calcutta. He has, however, requested that while taking a final decision in the matter the Collegium may take into consideration the fact that final Board Examination of his younger son is due in February 2024.

We have considered the request made by Mr Justice Madhuresh Prasad. The Collegium does not find any merit in the request made by

him. The Collegium, therefore, resolves to reiterate its recommendation dated 3 August 2023 to transfer him to the High Court at Calcutta.



#### **SUPREME COURT OF INDIA**

Re: Proposal for transfer of Mr Justice Munnuri Laxman, Judge, High Court for the State of Telangana

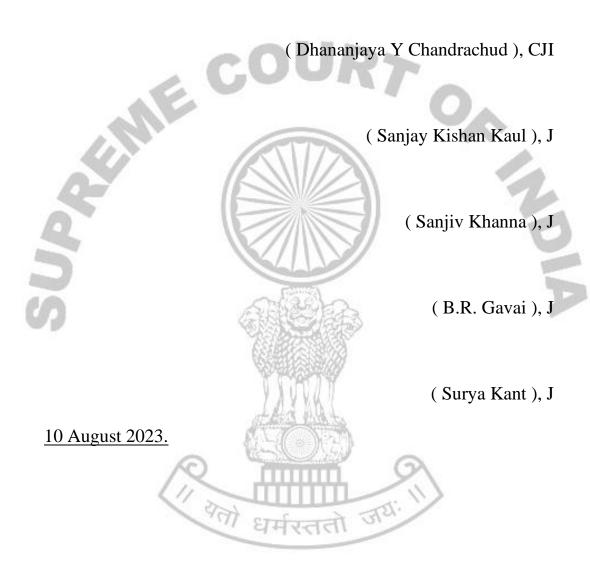
On 3 August 2023, the Collegium proposed the transfer of Mr Justice Munnuri Laxman, Judge, High Court for the State of Telangana, to the Rajasthan High Court, for better administration of justice.

In terms of the Memorandum of Procedure, we have consulted one of the Judges of the Supreme Court who, being conversant with the affairs of the High Court for the State of Telangana, is in a position to offer views on the proposed transfer. We have also consulted the Chief Justices of the High Court for the State of Telangana and the Rajasthan High Court.

By a letter dated 8 August 2023, Mr Justice Munnuri Laxman has requested to either postpone or drop the proposal for his transfer. In the alternative, he has sought a transfer to the High Court of Karnataka.

We have considered the requests made by Mr Justice Munnuri Laxman. The Collegium does not find any merit in the requests

made by him. The Collegium, therefore, resolves to reiterate its recommendation dated 3 August 2023 to transfer him to the Rajasthan High Court.



### **SUPREME COURT OF INDIA**

Re: Proposal for transfer of Ms Justice G Anupama Chakravarthy, Judge, High Court for the State of Telangana

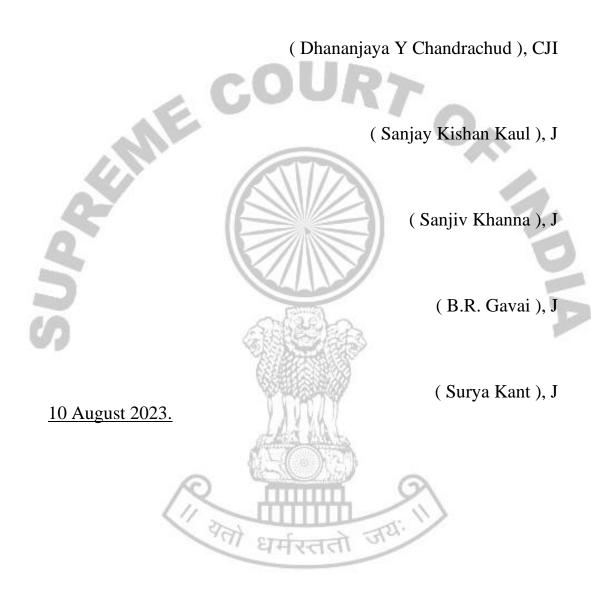
On 3 August 2023, the Collegium proposed the transfer of Ms Justice G Anupama Chakravarthy, Judge, High Court for the State of Telangana, to the High Court of Judicature at Patna, for better administration of justice.

In terms of the Memorandum of Procedure, we have consulted one of the Judges of the Supreme Court who, being conversant with the affairs of the High Court for the State of Telangana, is in a position to offer views on the proposed transfer. We have also consulted the Chief Justices of the High Court for the State of Telangana and the High Court of Judicature at Patna.

By a letter dated 5 August 2023 Ms Justice G Anupama Chakravarthy has conveyed her willingness to be transferred to any of the High Courts. She has, however, requested to transfer her to any High Court near to her parent High Court.

We have considered the request made by Ms Justice G Anupama Chakravarthy. The Collegium does not find any merit in the

request made by her. The Collegium, therefore, resolves to reiterate its recommendation dated 3 August 2023 to transfer her to the High Court of Judicature at Patna.



#### **SUPREME COURT OF INDIA**

Re: Proposal for transfer of Mr Justice Bibek Chaudhuri, Judge, High Court at Calcutta

On 3 August 2023, the Collegium proposed the transfer of Mr Justice Bibek Chaudhuri, Judge, High Court at Calcutta, to the High Court of Judicature at Patna, for better administration of justice.

In terms of the Memorandum of Procedure, we have consulted Judges of the Supreme Court who, being conversant with the affairs of the High Court at Calcutta, are in a position to offer views on the proposed transfer. We have also consulted the Chief Justices of the High Court at Calcutta and the High Court of Judicature at Patna.

By a letter dated 9 August 2023, Mr Justice Bibek Chaudhuri has requested for a reconsideration of the proposal for his transfer to the High Court of Judicature at Patna.

We have considered the request made by Mr Justice Bibek Chaudhuri. The Collegium does not find any merit in the request made by him. The Collegium, therefore, resolves to reiterate its

recommendation dated 3 August 2023 to transfer him to the High Court of Judicature at Patna.

( Dhananjaya Y Chandrachud ), CJI



### **SUPREME COURT OF INDIA**

Re: Proposal for transfer of Ms Justice Lapita Banerji, Judge, High Court at Calcutta

On 3 August 2023, the Collegium proposed the transfer of Ms Justice Lapita Banerji, Judge, High Court at Calcutta, to the High Court of Punjab and Haryana for the better administration of justice.

In terms of the Memorandum of Procedure, we have consulted Judges of the Supreme Court who, being conversant with the affairs of the High Court at Calcutta, are in a position to offer views on the proposed transfer. We have also consulted the Chief Justices of the High Court at Calcutta and the High Court of Punjab and Haryana.

By a letter dated 8 August 2023 Ms Justice Lapita Banerji has conveyed her willingness to be transferred to the High Court of Punjab and Haryana. She has also requested for reconsideration of the proposal for her transfer.

We have considered the request made by Ms Justice Lapita Banerji. The Collegium does not find any merit in the request made by her for reconsideration of the proposed transfer. The Collegium,

therefore, resolves to reiterate its recommendation dated 3 August 2023 to transfer her to the High Court of Punjab and Haryana.

( Dhananjaya Y Chandrachud ), CJI



#### **SUPREME COURT OF INDIA**

Re: Proposal for transfer of Mr Justice Shekhar B Saraf, Judge, High Court at Calcutta.

On 3 August 2023, the Collegium proposed the transfer of Mr Justice Shekhar B Saraf, Judge, High Court at Calcutta, to the High Court of Judicature at Allahabad, for better administration of justice.

In terms of the Memorandum of Procedure, we have consulted Judges of the Supreme Court who, being conversant with the affairs of the High Court at Calcutta, are in a position to offer views on the proposed transfer. We have also consulted the Chief Justices of the High Court at Calcutta and the High Court of Judicature at Allahabad.

By a letter dated 7 August 2023, Mr Justice Shekhar B Saraf has accepted the proposal for his transfer. He has, however, at the same time, requested for a reconsideration of the proposed transfer and in the alternative, requested to consider transferring him to any of the places i.e. Delhi, Hyderabad, Bangalore and Chandigarh.

We have considered the requests made by Mr Justice Shekhar B Saraf. The Collegium does not find any merit in the requests made

by him. The Collegium, therefore, resolves to reiterate its recommendation dated 3 August 2023 to transfer him to the High Court of Judicature at Allahabad.



#### **SUPREME COURT OF INDIA**

Re: Proposal for transfer of Mr Justice Duppala Venkata Ramana, Judge, High Court of Andhra Pradesh

On 3 August 2023, the Collegium proposed the transfer of Mr Justice Duppala Venkata Ramana, Judge, High Court of Andhra Pradesh to the High Court of Madhya Pradesh, for better administration of justice.

In terms of the Memorandum of Procedure, we have consulted one of the Judges of the Supreme Court who, being conversant with the affairs of the High Court of Andhra Pradesh, is in a position to offer views on the proposed transfer. We have also consulted the Chief Justices of the High Court of Andhra Pradesh and the High Court of Madhya Pradesh.

By a letter dated 7 August 2023 Mr Justice Duppala Venkata Ramana has requested a reconsideration of the proposal for his transfer and in the alternative has sought transfer to the High Court of Karnataka..

We have considered the requests made by Mr Justice Duppala Venkata Ramana. The Collegium does not find any merit in the

requests made by him. The Collegium, therefore, resolves to reiterate its recommendation dated 3 August 2023 to transfer him to the High Court of Madhya Pradesh.



### **SUPREME COURT OF INDIA**

Re: Proposal for transfer of Mr Justice Rajendra Kumar-IV, Judge, High Court of Judicature at Allahabad.

On 3 August 2023, the Collegium proposed the transfer of Mr Justice Rajendra Kumar-IV, Judge, High Court of Judicature at Allahabad, to the High Court of Madhya Pradesh, for better administration of justice.

In terms of the Memorandum of Procedure, we have consulted Judges of the Supreme Court who, being conversant with the affairs of the High Court of Judicature at Allahabad, are in a position to offer views on the proposed transfer. We have also consulted the Chief Justices of the High Court of Judicature at Allahabad and the High Court of Madhya Pradesh.

By a representation dated 8 August 2023, Mr Justice Rajendra Kumar-IV has conveyed his consent to the proposed transfer. He has, however, also requested that his transfer may be stayed for 6 months.

We have considered the request made by Mr Justice Rajendra Kumar-IV. The Collegium does not find any merit in the request made by

him. The Collegium, therefore, resolves to reiterate its recommendation dated 3 August 2023 to transfer him to the High Court of Madhya Pradesh.



### **SUPREME COURT OF INDIA**

Re: Proposal for transfer of Mr Justice S P Kesarwani, Judge, High Court of Judicature at Allahabad.

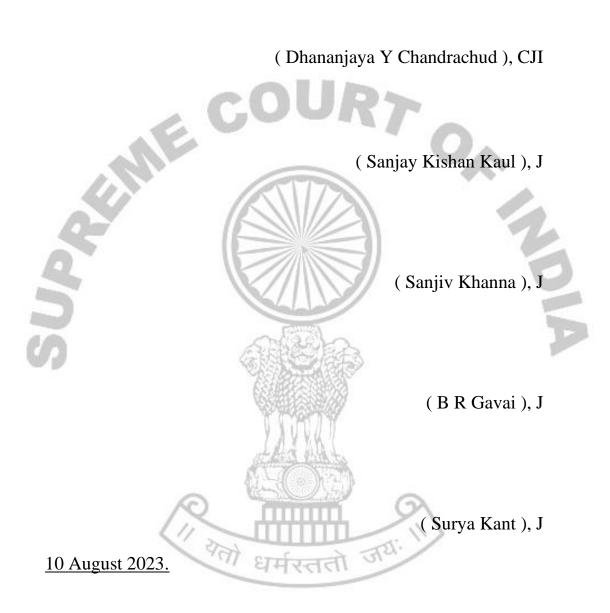
On 3 August 2023, the Collegium proposed the transfer of Mr Justice S P Kesarwani, Judge, High Court of Judicature at Allahabad, to the High Court at Calcutta, for better administration of justice.

In terms of the Memorandum of Procedure, we have consulted Judges of the Supreme Court who, being conversant with the affairs of the High Court of Judicature at Allahabad, are in a position to offer views on the proposed transfer. We have also consulted the Chief Justices of the High Court of Judicature at Allahabad and the High Court at Calcutta.

Mr Justice S P Kesarwani, however, by a representation dated 6 August 2023 has requested reconsideration of the proposal for his transfer to the High Court at Calcutta.

We have considered the request made by Mr Justice S P Kesarwani in his representation. The Collegium does not find any merit in the request made by him. The Collegium, therefore, resolves to reiterate

its recommendation dated 3 August 2023 to transfer Mr Justice S P Kesarwani to the High Court at Calcutta.



### **SUPREME COURT OF INDIA**

Re: Proposal for transfer of Mr Justice C Manavendranath Roy, Judge, High Court of Andhra Pradesh

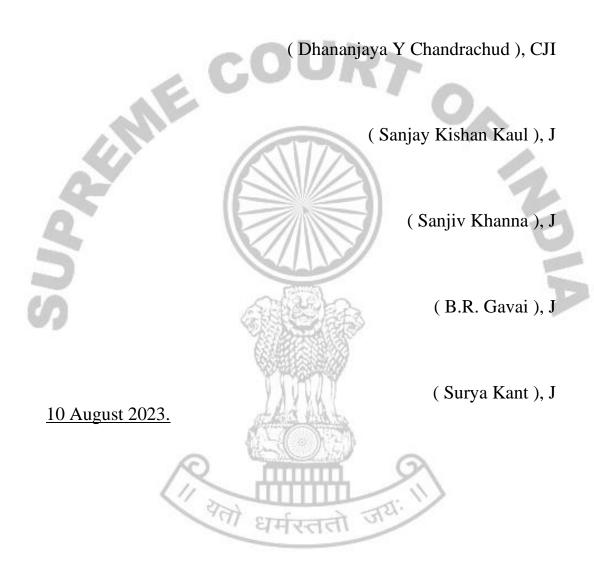
On 3 August 2023, the Collegium proposed the transfer of Mr Justice C Manavendranath Roy, Judge, High Court of Andhra Pradesh, to the High Court of Gujarat, for better administration of justice.

In terms of the Memorandum of Procedure, we have consulted one of the Judges of the Supreme Court who being conversant with the affairs of the High Court of Andhra Pradesh, is in a position to offer views on the proposed transfer. We have also consulted the Chief Justices of the High Court of Andhra Pradesh and the High Court of Gujarat.

By a representation dated 7 August 2023, Mr Justice C Manavendranath Roy has requested a reconsideration of the proposal for his transfer and in the alternative, has sought transfer to the High Court for the State of Telangana.

We have considered the requests made by Mr Justice C Manavendranath Roy. The Collegium does not find any merit in the requests made by him. The Collegium, therefore, resolves to

reiterate its recommendation dated 3 August 2023 to transfer him to the High Court of Gujarat.



#### **SUPREME COURT OF INDIA**

Re: Proposal for transfer of Mr. Justice Prakash Padia, Judge, High Court of Judicature at Allahabad.

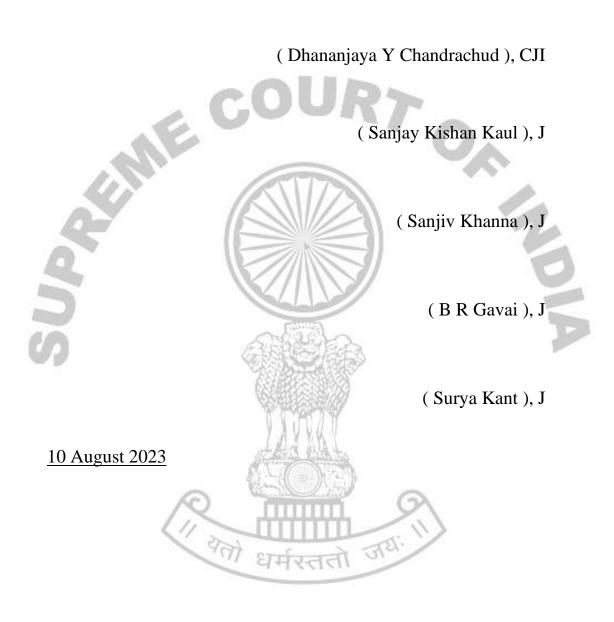
On 3 August 2023, the Collegium proposed the transfer of Mr Justice Prakash Padia, Judge, High Court of Judicature at Allahabad, to the High Court of Jharkhand, for better administration of justice.

In terms of the Memorandum of Procedure, we have consulted the Judges of the Supreme Court who, being conversant with the affairs of the High Court of Judicature at Allahabad, are in a position to offer views on the proposed transfer. We have also consulted the Chief Justices of the High Court of Judicature at Allahabad and the High Court of Jharkhand.

By a representation dated 8 August 2023, Mr Justice Prakash Padia has requested a reconsideration of the proposal for his transfer. In the alternative, he has sought transfer to the High Court of Madhya Pradesh, High Court of Judicature at Patna or the High Court of Uttarakhand.

We have considered the requests made by Mr Justice Prakash Padia. The Collegium does not find any merit in the requests made by him.

The Collegium, therefore, resolves to reiterate its recommendation dated 3 August 2023 to transfer him to the High Court of Jharkhand.



### **SUPREME COURT OF INDIA**

The Supreme Court Collegium in its meeting held on 3 August 2023 has recommended transfer of following Judges of High Courts, for better administration of justice:

S.No.	Name of the Judge S/Shri Justice	High Court From	High Court To
1.	Vivek Kumar Singh	Allahabad	Madras
2.	Alpesh Y Kogje	Gujarat	Allahabad
3.	Kumari Gita Gopi	Gujarat	Madras
4.	Hemant M Prachchhak	Gujarat	Patna
5.	Samir J Dave	Gujarat	Rajasthan
6.	Arvind Singh Sangwan	Punjab and Haryana	Allahabad
7.	Avneesh Jhingan	Punjab and Haryana	Gujarat
8.	Raj Mohan Singh	Punjab and Haryana	Madhya Pradesh
9.	Arun Monga	Punjab and Haryana	Rajasthan

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( Sanjay Kishan Kaul ), J

(Sanjiv Khanna), J

(BR Gavai), J

(Surya Kant), J

03 August 2023.