

In Chamber

Case :- PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION (PIL) No. - 2420 of 2024

Petitioner :- Chandrapal Singh Rana

Respondent :- Archaeological Survey Of India And 5 Others

Counsel for Petitioner :- Shad Khan, Chandra Prakash Singh

Counsel for Respondent :- C.S.C, A.S.G.I

Hon'ble Salil Kumar Rai, J.

Hon'ble Samit Gopal, J.

The case has been put up before us as a fresh case during the winter vacation by order of Hon'ble The Chief Justice.

Heard the counsel for the petitioner, Shri Manu Ghildyal, Advocate, representing the Uttar Pradesh State Archeology Chhatar Manzil Campus, M.G. Road, Kaiserbagh, Lucknow and the Commissioner of Police, Agra, Uttar Pradesh, i.e., respondent Nos. 2 and 6 and Shri Manoj Kumar Singh, Advocate, representing the Archaeological Survey of India, Agra Circle, 22 The Mall, Agra, U.P, i.e., respondent No. 1.

Issue notice to respondent Nos. 3, 4 and 5 fixing 27.1.2025 through registered post with acknowledgement due for which steps shall be taken by counsel for the petitioner within two weeks from today.

Meanwhile, considering the facts as disclosed in the petition and the circumstances of the case, the Commissioner of Police, Agra, Uttar Pradesh as well as the Archaeological Survey of India, Agra Circle, 22 The Mall, Agra, U.P and the Director of Uttar Pradesh State Archeology Chhatar Manzil Campus, M.G. Road, Kaiserbagh, Lucknow shall ensure that no damage is done to the building/monument. The Commissioner of Police, Agra shall also ensure that sufficient police force shall be deployed to protect the building/monument.

The Registrar (Compliance) shall inform the Archaeological Survey of India, Agra Circle, 22 The Mall, Agra, Uttar Pradesh State Archeology Chhatar Manzil Campus, M.G. Road, Kaiserbagh, Lucknow and the Commissioner of Police, Agra, Uttar Pradesh about this order within 24 hours.

By the next fixed, the Standing Counsel representing the State-respondents shall also obtain instructions in the matter.

Put up again as fresh on **27.1.2025** before appropriate Bench.

The matter shall not be treated as tied up or part heard to this Bench.

Order Date :- 26.12.2024/Anurag/-