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(ii) Policy of FDI - Competence of Central Government - Held: Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion is empowered to make policy pronouncements on FDI - Competence of Central Government to formulate a policy relating to investment by a non-resident entity/person resident outside India, in the capital of an Indian company is beyond doubt - Reserve Bank of India is empowered to prohibit, restrict or regulate various types of foreign exchange transactions, including FDI, in India by means of necessary regulations -RBI Regulates foreign investment in India in accordance with Government of India's policy -Allocation of Business Rules, 1961 - Foreign Exchange Management (Transfer or Issue of Security by a Person Resident Outside India) Regulations, 2000 - Foreign Exchange Management (Transfer or Issue of Security by a Person Resident Outside India) (Third Amendment) Regulations, 2012 - Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 - ss. 6(3) and 47.

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in course of performance of their duty in any of

the situations enumerated in r. 41(1)(i) -

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(ii) O. 3, rr. 1 and 2 - Recognized agent - Power of attorney holder - Held: It is a settled legal proposition that power of attorney holder cannot depose in place of principal - Nor can he depose for principal in respect of a matter, as regards which, only principal can have personal knowledge and in respect of which, principal is entitled to be cross-examined.

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(ii) Art. 131 - Suit for injunction filed by one State against other State - Guiding factors to grant injunction - Explained - Evidence - Burden of proof.

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(ii) Art. 226 - Writ petition - Order by High Court to maintain status quo - Issuance of show cause notice by government - Held: Issue of show cause notice did not interfere with status quo - Once show cause notice was issued, High Court could have directed respondent-company to respond to the same and disposed of writ petition reserving liberty to it to take recourse to appropriate remedy - Since show cause notice is not without jurisdiction, Government to consider the reply that may be submitted by respondent and pass a reasoned order.

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(11) ss. 302 and 324 r/w s. 34 - Acquittal by trial court - Conviction by High Court - Held: Conviction was justified in view of depositions of injured witness and other eye-witnesses - Incident was

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(12) ss. 302, 364 and 120-B - Minor boy kidnapped and murdered by three accused - Circumstantial evidence - Conviction and sentence of life imprisonment - Affirmed by High Court - Held: Cogent and acceptable evidence adduced by prosecution has established the deceased last seen with accused, recovery of incriminating articles pursuant to disclosure statements of accused, motive for crime and threat given by accused to finish the family of complainant - It leads to conclusion that appellants/accused kidnapped and murdered the deceased - Conviction and sentence, upheld - Evidence - Circumstantial evidence - Motive.

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(13) ss.302 and 376 - Rape and murder - Case based on circumstantial evidence - Conviction of accused-appellant with 10 years RI - Held: Justified - Medical evidence revealed that victim was subjected to sexual intercourse before her death - Mother of victim found accused present at scene of crime immediately after occurrence -Accused remained absconding for two days - All circumstances supported prosecution version - No missing link in any of circumstances found proved - Further, accused had inimical relationship with family of victim and thus, motive aspect demonstrated was also acceptable - Moreover, accused-appellant did not let in any evidence for his defence - Circumstantial evidence - Motive.

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(14) ss. 302, 376(2)(g), 201 and 506 - Gang rape and murder - Conviction by trial court - Affirmed by High Court - Held: There is major discrepancy in testimony of witnesses and also registration of FIR on the basis of information furnished by informant - Further, Sarpanch to whom accused were stated to have made confessional statement, reported the matter to police after 16 days - His evidence is not believable - Narration of alleged offences against appellants and other accused by prosecution witnesses is most unnatural and unbelievable to convict and sentence them - Their conviction and sentences set aside -Circumstantial evidence.

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(15) s.304 (part-II)/34 - Accused causing injuries to victim - Death of victim on the following day -Conviction u/s 302/34 and sentence of life imprisonment, affirmed by High Court - Held: The instant case falls u/s 304(part-II) - Although appellants had no intention to cause death but it can safely be inferred that they knew that such bodily injury was likely to cause death - Therefore, appellants are guilty of culpable homicide not amounting to murder - Accordingly, judgments of courts below are modified and conviction u/s 302 is converted to 304(part-II) - Appellants sentenced to ten years' imprisonment.

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(16) ss. 304-B and 498-A - Demand from husband through wife (deceased) for repayment of society loan - Held: Demand was not in connection with dowry, therefore, provisions of s.304-B were not attracted and appellant-husband acquitted of charge - But, there is clear evidence establishing that deceased was subjected to harassment by her husband on account of her failure to meet said unlawful demand - Therefore, conviction u/s 498-A maintained - Appellant sentenced to period already undergone - Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961 - ss. 3, 4 and 6.

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(18) s.376 - Conviction by courts below - Held: In the instant case, prosecution version as narrated by prosecutrix, is most improbable and unnatural - The witness who is stated to have rescued prosecutrix from place of occurrence and employer of prosecutrix did not support prosecution case -Doctor who medically examined prosecutrix and IO were not examined - Courts below erred in holding that their non-examination did not prejudice the defence - Further, inordinate delay of 11 days is fatal to prosecution case, which has created reasonable doubt - Therefore, benefit of doubt must enure to appellant - Impugned judgment set aside - Constitution of India, 1950 -Art.136.

### Rajesh Patel v. State of Jharkhand ....

(19) s. 376(1) - Rape - Statement of prosecutrix that accused committed forcible sexual intercourse against her wish at knife point - Held: Except simply denying the offence alleged in statement u/s 313 Cr.P.C., accused did not let in any evidence to contradict the version of prosecutrix -Trial court on a detailed consideration of evidence concluded that case of prosecutrix was cogent and convincing and was also supported by evidence of other witnesses and recoveries made from place of occurrence - Judgments of courts below call for no interference.

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(22) ss. 376, 506, 366 and 363 - Kidnapping and rape of a girl of 13 years - Conviction of accused by courts below - Held: On date of incident, victim was of 13 years and 9 months and was a student of 6th standard - To refute the same, no evidence has been led by accused-appellant - Said finding stood affirmed by High Court and in view thereof, it remains totally immaterial whether prosecutrix was a consenting party or not - Case does not present special features warranting any interference.

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s.20 read with Marketing Discipline Guidelines, 2005 - Dealership licence - Cancellation of - Held: Cancellation of dealership agreement is a serious matter and cannot be taken lightly - In the instant case, Guidelines with regard to taking of samples, numbering them, and sending the same to Laboratory in the manner prescribed have not been followed by Inspecting Officer - Further, provision of s.20 was also not complied with -High Court rightly interfered with order of termination of dealership agreement/licence and quashed it - Appellants are directed to implement the directions given by High Court in its judgment - Marketing Discipline Guidelines, 2005 - Para 2.4.5

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(i) ss. 5-A, 17(1) and 17(4) - Special powers in case of urgency - Acquisition of land for construction of bus stand - After a lapse of 7 years from date of notification u/s 4, Notification u/s 6 issued and powers u/s.17(1) r/w s/17(4) invoked dispensing with provision of s. 5-A - Held: Any construction of building (institutional, industrial,

residential, commercial etc.) takes some time and, therefore, acquisition of land for such purpose can always brook delay of few months - Ordinarily, invocation of power of urgency by State Government for such acquisition may not be legally sustainable - In the instant case, a very valuable right conferred on land owner/person interested u/s 5-A has been taken away without any justification - Exercise of power by State government u/s 17(1) r/w s. 17(4) and dispensation of inquiry u/s 5-A cannot be legally sustained - Land Acquisition Act, 1894 - ss. 17(1), 17(4) and 5-A.

(ii) s. 17(1) r/w s. 17(4) - Exercise of power under - Affidavit with regard to - Held: Counter affidavit filed by Rajasthan State Road Transport Corporation is not relevant as s. 17 confers power of urgency only on State government alone and it is State government that has to justify that urgency was so imminent that dispensation of inquiry u/s 5-A was necessary - Constitution of India, 1950 -Art. 300-A - Eminent domain - Affidavit.

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My Lord Justice Kabir, Chief Justice of India, Hon'ble Judges, the Learned Solicitor General, Mr Mohan Parasaran, Mr Krishnamani, the President of the Supreme Court Bar Association, Office Bearers of the Bar Association, other Law Officers, Members of the Bar, Members of the families of O.P. Malhotra and R.N. Trivedi, Ladies and Gentlemen.

We are assembled today in the Supreme Court, in Full Court, to pay homage to two eminent seniors of the Indian Bar who have left us recently.

Shri O.P. Malhotra studied law at the Government Law College, Bangalore and became a first generation lawyer in his mid-thirties. He began his practice as a lawyer in the Bangalore High Court, a junior to Mr. Nittoor Srinivas Rao, the then Advocate General of Mysore. Mr. Malhotra moved to Delhi in 1961 and soon thereafter joined the chambers of Shri Motilal Setalvad, the first Attorney General for India.

Shri O.P. Malhotra was designated Senior by the Supreme Court of India on the 3rd of December 1969 and by the Delhi High Court on the 31st of December 1969. He was the Senior Central Government Counsel during the seventies in the Delhi High Court and appeared on behalf of the Union of India. He had an illustrious career and appeared in several landmark cases in a variety of fields. One case that deserves special mention is his appearance in the Golaknath case alongside Nani Palkhivala. Justice HL Anand, in *Associated Traders and Engineers... v. Bir Singh* [ILR 1976 Delhi 688] described Shri Malhotra as someone with a "colossal background" on the subject of industrial disputes.

Outside the court, Mr. Malhotra's activities were erudite and academic. He brought out the 1st edition of his commentary on the Law of Industrial Relations after a mere 14 years of practice. An excellent teaching and learning tool, the book provides an incisive treatment of every aspect of the law relating to industrial disputes, and was very well received. "O.P. Malhotra's The Law of Industrial Disputes" is in its sixth edition now. When I was practicing in the Bombay High Court, I had came & cross this book of Law of Industrial Disputes and it was the Bible for practitioners in Labour Law at that time. It continues to be so even today. It has been highly commended by the Court of Appeal as well as by the Federal Court of Malaysia.

In his later years, Shri Malhotra showed the same vitality and zest. He published the 1st edition of 'The Law and Practice of Arbitration and Conciliation - A Commentary on the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996' in 2002, at the age of 82. Like his earlier work, this too was nationally and internationally acclaimed, and favorably reviewed by several eminent commentators and was gradually recognised as a definitive work in its field. There was no other book that dealt with arbitration so comprehensively in the Indian market. The second edition of the book was published in 2006 and showed that Shri Malhotra was a keen student of the law and a rigorous academic even at the age of 87. This edition, co-authored by his daughter Ms. Indu Malhotra, exhaustively covered UNCITRAL'S Model Law, with a detailed comparison with both the (English) Arbitration Act 1996, as well as the Arbitration and Conciliation Act 1996. Almost 700 pages longer, the second edition contained an in-depth analysis of the most recent cases in this field, both Indian as well as international. It moved systematically through each section of the Indian Law, comparing it with the Model Law, the English Law, and citing case law in detail, throughout. The book remains sound, authoritative and most lucid in its exposition, making it a crucial reference work.

On a personal note I wish to mention that on 8.3.2006 Mr. Malhotra, in his bold and wonderful hand, personally inscribed a copy of the book to me with the inscription:

"With warmest and sincerest regards to dear Goolam E. Vahanvati, the Solicitor General of India."

This book remains one of the most treasured possessions in my library.

Shri O.P. Malhotra is survived by his four children. Three of his children are advocates, including Ms. Indu Malhotra, a Senior Advocate. Mr. Malhotra has left behind many legacies, and one of the most cherished of these legacies is his daughter Indu Malhotra who, apart from having the rare distinction of being designated a Senior by this Court, represents the same levels of integrity and rectitude as her father. Four of his grandchildren are advocates practicing in the Delhi High Court and Supreme Court.

He passed away on the 31st of January 2013 and, on the occasion of this reference, I would like to express my deepest condolences to his family, friends, and colleagues at the Bar. Those who held him dear may seek solace in the fact that Shri O.P. Malhotra's personal and professional legacy will endure for years to come and his life and career presents a paragon of dignity and purpose. May his soul rest in peace.

I now turn to pay tribute to Shri R.N. Trivedi, another preeminent Senior Advocate at the Supreme Court and former Additional Solicitor General of India.

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R.N. Trivedi, the son of the Mrs. Leela Trivedi and the late J.N. Trivedi, was born on January 21, 1941 in Varanasi. He was educated at Lucknow University, from where he earned his Bachelors in Science, and also his Bachelors degree in Law. He enrolled as an Advocate in 1963, and was designated as a Senior Advocate in August 1984. The same year, he was appointed the Additional Advocate General of Uttar Pradesh, where he continued till he became Advocate General in 1995. He also served as an Additional Solicitor General of India from 1998 to 2004.

I can truly and honestly say that "RNT", as most people affectionately called him, was one of my dear friends at the Bar. He was a wonderful person. I met him for the first time in the '80s when we were opposing each other in a heavy arbitration case before Justice Madon, who had just retired as Judge of the Supreme Court. I was a Junior Counsel and was led by Mr. Ashok A Desai who, with his various commitments, left a large part of the case for me to do. Parag Tripathi was also in the case. We all became very close friends.

Mr. Trivedi was known for his involvement with issues related to human rights and the rights of women and children. In 1981, he participated in the International Commission of Jurists' Conference on 'Development and Rule of Law' at the Hague. In 1992, he was appointed as a consultant by the Division of Human Rights, U.N., Geneva to author a paper for the seminar on 'National Local and Regional Arrangements for the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights in the Asian Region'. In April 2002, he was invited by Harvard Law School to deliver a lecture on 'Personal Freedom in the Age of Technologically Sophisticated Terrorism'. He has authored several papers and articles on human rights, public interest law, and issues affecting women and children.

Given his vast experience, it is no surprise that he appeared in a variety of landmark cases. In recent memory, what comes to mind are two cases (i) of **Parkash Singh Badal v. State of Punjab, (2007) 1 SCC 1,** which related to the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988, and the issue involved was the sanction of prosecution in the case of a public servant; and (ii) **P.A. Inamdar v. State of Maharashtra,** (2005) 6 SCC 537, in which the issue was whether the law laid down in the *TMA Pai* judgment was correctly interpreted in **Islamic Academy of Education v. State of Karnataka, (2003) 6 SCC 697** (in which

Mr. Trivedi had also appeared)

Prior to that, in the case of Sakshi v. Union of India, (2004) 5 SCC 518, a case pertaining to the meaning and definition of rape, Mr. Trivedi, appearing for the Union of India, had submitted that in absence of municipal laws, international treaties ratified by India can be taken into account for framing guidelines in respect of enforcement of fundamental rights, and that the State (through its legislative wing) can modify the law to bring it in accord with treaty obligations.

Other important cases included Mohd. Aslam v. Union of India, (2003) 4 SCC 1 (relating to the Acquisition of Certain Area at Ayodhya Act, 1993) and P. Ramachandra Rao v. State of Karnataka, (2002) 4 SCC 578 (right to speedy trial, and the question of delay to be decided by the Court)

RNT had a wonderful sense of humour, and he used to spin yarns and crack jokes with a straight face. For many years, he used to tell the story as to how one of his uncles had left him an island in the Bahamas. Every time, he continued the story with a fresh instalment about this great island. Most people who heard about it fell for it and were dying to be invited, and were even willing to go and stay there on their own. RNT would then come out with some excuse or other and say that it was not possible for him to arrange for a trip at that point of time. Sometimes, he would say that his private yacht was not working and sometimes that the butlers had gone on leave, and so on and so forth.

He passed away suddenly on October 3, 2012. When I heard that he had died, I just could not believe it and even now we are in a state of shock. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Anila Trivedi, and two sons, Gaurav and Neerav. I pray to God to give them all the strength and courage to bear this loss. May his soul rest in peace.

## REFERENCE MADE BY SHRI M.N. KRISHNAMANI, PRESIDENT SUPREME COURT BAR ASSOCIATION IN THE MEMORY OF LATE SHRI R.N. TRIVEDI, SENIOR ADVOCATE ON 1ST MAY, 2013

Hon'ble Chief Justice of India, Hon'ble Judges of Supreme Court of India, my friend Gulam Learned Attorney General for India, Learned Solicitor General, other Law-officers, and my dear sisters and brothers in the Bar.

The Lord says in Gita:

Jaatasya hi druvo mrityu Druvam janma mritasyacha

(Chapter 2 Sloka 27)

Meaning :

"To the born DEATH is certain To the dead BIRTH is certain"

Sri R.N. Trivedi was a very close friend of mine. He was a very pleasant personality. He was born on 1941. He did Law from Lucknow University in 1962. He became a lawyer in 1963. He was designated as Senior in 1984. He became Additional Advocate General, then Advocate General of UP and finally Additional Solicitor General in 1998.

When he was hardly 40 years old, R.N. Trivedi participated in World University Service workshop at Harare, Zimbabwe as a Resource Person and submitted an erudite paper on : "Human Rights and Development".

In 1986, R.N. Trivedi was elected to the Executive

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Committee of Defence of Children International, (Geneva) at Xalapa, Mexico.

In 1997, R.N. Trivedi delivered the Kelkar Memorial lecture in the Law Faculty of Delhi University and the lecture was on : "The Need for International Criminal Court."

In 2002 R.N. Trivedi was invited by Harvard Law School to deliver a Talk on : "Personal Freedom in the Age of Sophisticated Terrorisim"

In Sept. 2006, Sri R.N. Trivedi delivered a paper on : "Iraq war and the US Constitution " at Academia, Supreme Court of India.

R.N. Trivedi was a fine human-being. He was known for his humour. He was a great Mimic. He could easily imitate any judge of this Hon'ble Court. On those occassions, Sri Soli Sorabjee world also join R.N. Trivedi and we all used to enjoy their mimicry-particularly the way they both would imitate Mr. Justice Awadbehari Rohatgi, former Judge of Delhi High Court and father of Mukul, my dear friend.

R.N. Trivedi has appeared in innumerable cases in the Apex Court. Amongst them B.R. Enterprises (1999 (9) SCC 700) where conducting of State Lottery was held to be "gambling", Motion Pictures reported in 1999 (6) SCC 150 and Prakash Singh Badal reported in 2007 (1) SCC 1 are significant. He appeared for Sri Atal Behari Vajpayee in his Election matter and successfully defended his election.

He was a Human-Rights activist. He fought for the rights of women and children. He has lavishily donated money for the education of poor girl students. His sympathy for the poor is on account of his hailing from a humble back-ground. His father was working in LIC. However his father-in-law was Justice D.N. Jha who became the Chief Justice of All High Court. R.N. Trivedi was endowed with a smiling face. Like any other Allahabad Lawyer, he was a slave to pan. But his smiles were magnetic. When he saw any of his friends, there would be a spontanous beaming smile in him. Smiling is a great quality. It is a great God-given gift. Out of 84,00,000 varieties of creatures in this world, Man alone can smile. No other animal or insect can smile. They can express their happiness by jumping or wagging the tail, but they can not smile. Man alone can smile. R.N. Trivedi was always in bliss, which expressed itself as smiles.

With all this, R.N. Trivedi was an agnostic. He did not believe in God. He did not believe in rituals. He never visited any temple. He was however a great believer in the doctrine of Karma. His religion was : Humanity. Personally, he was an excellent human-being.

R.N. Trivedi believed in one thing through out his life. That belief which he practised in his day to day life is adumbrated in the following words by a poet :

"Happiness is the only good The time to be happy is : Now The place to be happy is : Here The way to be happy is to make others so."

R.N. Trivedi has left behind his wife and two sons.

With these words, I express my heart-feld condolences to the bereaved family and I pray to the Almighty for Sri R.N. Trivedi's Soul to rest the eternal peace.

Thanking you.

## REFERENCE MADE BY SHRI M.N. KRISHNAMANI, PRESIDENT SUPREME COURT BAR ASSOCIATION IN THE MEMORY OF LATE SHRI O.P. MALHOTRA, SENIOR ADVOCATE ON 1ST MAY, 2013

Hon'ble Chief Justice of India, Hon'ble Judges of the Supreme Court of India, my friend Gulam Learned Attorney General for India, Learned Solicitor General, other Law-officers, and my dear sisters and brothers in the Bar.

Though there was a good age-difference between me and him, Sri O.P. Malhotra was a close friend of mine. We used to meet now and then and our topic of discussion very often would be : Spirituality. He had tremendous knowledge of Srimad Bhagwad Gita.

For the 2nd Edition of my book : "Bhajagovindam", a commentary on a set of 31 slokas of Adi Shankara published by : Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, Sri O.P. Malhotra wrote a Preface. His Preface was based on the great concept of "Perishable" and "Imperishable" in Srimad Bhagawad Gita.

Sri O.P. Malhotra was a very close to Sri N.A. Palkhiwala, a Doyen of our Bar since he instructed him in IC Golaknath and other leading cases. OP had taken my book "Bhajagovindam" to Sri Naani Palkhiwala and presented the same to him. After reading the same, Sri Palkiwala had written a nice letter to me wishing me stamina to write more and more books on spirituality. This letter of Naani I am preserving as on great Treasure since it blesses me and since it was his last letter before his death.

In view of his 4 to 6 years stay in Bangalore, Sri O.P.

Malhotra was proficient in Tamil. Any Bangalorean would know Tamil and Telugu apart from Kannada. O.P. Malhotra could speak Tamil fluently. To me, he would always speak to in Tamil. He was very fond of South Indian food-particularly idly and filtered coffee.

When Sri O.P. Malhotra was working with Thapers in Bangalore, one day his wife persuaded him to do law. When he started doing law, he was a father of two children! When be enrolled as a lawyer, he was a father of four children!

Sri O.P. Malhotra had the rare priviledge of being designated as a Senior by the Supreme Court and by the Delhi High Court as well! This is something unique and <u>sui generis</u>. The Apex Court designated him assenior on 3.12.1969 and the Delhi High Court designated him on 31.12.1969. Sri O.P. Malhotra functioned as Senior Central Govt. standing counsel in the Delhi High Court during 1970s.

He was a always No.1 in Persian. He could recite entire Quran with ease. He was fluent in Urdu also.

His <u>magnum opus</u> "Industrial Disputes Act" is famous through out India well – known amongst accedemicians, lawyers, judges and the students. His another great contribution is his work on "Arbitration Act". Look at the man's industry and stamina, both physical and mental! He came out with his first Edition of "Arbitration Act" when he was 82 years old! He came out with the revised Edition of this book making it complete in all respects when he was 87 years old! His books on Industrial Disputes Act and Arbitration Act have immortalised him. Another contribution of his to the Legal Fraternity is Indu Malhotra, the 1st Lady AOR to become Senior Advocate.

Sri O.P. Malhotra's passing away is a personal loss to me. I have lost a very dear friend. Sri. O.P. Malhotra has left behind four children of whom 3 are lawyers including Indu who is a Senior Advocate. Four of his grand children are also lawyers practising is the Supreme Court and the Delhi High Court.

Recently, a few days back, one young lawyer came to instruct me in some heavy matter. I found him to be very brilliant and smart. At the end of the conference, when I told him that on 1st May, we are having Full Court Reference to two Senior Advocates viz. Sri O.P. Malhotra and Sri R.N. Trivedi, and invited that young lawyer to attend the Full Court Reference, he smiled and told me that he was Sri O.P. Malhotra's grand son. The young lawyer is Sri Vikas Mehta

One should not think that since Sri O.P. Malhotra was a an author, he was not an active practitioner. He appeared in hundreds of cases and over 25 of them are reported in Law Journals. He worked with Sri M.C. Setalwad and assisted him in innumerable cases. He was associated with Nani Palkhiwala and assisted him in several historical cases as already pointed out. He worked with Niren De, former Attorney General for India.

Former Additional Solicitor General Sri K.N. Bhat, Mr. Justice Arun Saharya and Mr. Justice Satpal Arora were his office-juniors.

He was very active till the end. Only in the last few years he stopped coming to courts for arguing cases because of agefactor. Inspite of his old age, once he had come to the court. I went and held his hands and asked him why he had come all the way at his old age. His answer was :

"Today election is on – is it not? I came only to vote for you."

I was taken aback and was thrilled and my eyes were moist with tears!

He was full of love. I can never forget him in my life.

His books have immortalised him as already pointed out. He is ever with us for another reason. There is a great saying:

Na Khalu sa uparatho, yasya vallabho janaah smarati Meaning :

#### "Not surely is dead that man, whose great qualities and contributions are remembered and remembered by his people with tears of love"

With these words I express my heart-felt condolences to the bereaved family. I pray to the Almighty for Sri O.P. Malhotra's Soul to rest in eternal peace.

Thank you.

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