

SUPREME COURT OF INDIA

No. 49/CC/VC/2020
Dated : 06th November, 2020

C I R C U L A R

This is for information to all the concerned that by virtue of Standard Operating Procedure dated 4th July, 2020 it was specifically provided [in clause 2 & 3 under the heading 'Instruction for Joining Video-Conferencing/Tele-Conferencing for hearing of listed matters'] that only two appearance links and one viewing link shall be provided to each litigating party. Besides this the sharing of screen is also prohibited unless permitted by the Court. However, it has been observed that the Advocates-on-Records are sharing the links, provided to them for video conferencing, with more than two advocates to appear before the Court during the course of proceeding. It has also been observed that Ld. Advocates are addressing the Court in the matters not listed for hearing on that day. Such sharing of Video-Conferencing links or sharing of screen, being violative of the above mentioned Standard Operating Procedure, is unauthorised, and creates hindrance in the proceedings of the Court.

Therefore, as directed, it is hereby reiterated to all the Advocates-on-Record, parties-in-person, and all other concerned, that in future there should not be unauthorised sharing of link/screen without permission of the Court, for the hearing of a matter through Video Conferencing mode in violation of the above mentioned Standard Operating Procedure dated 4th July, 2020. The Advocates/parties-in-person appearing in violation of above mentioned Standard Operating Procedure shall not be allowed to address the Hon'ble Court, rather their audio and video access will be prohibited. Any breach or violation of above directions in future may invite adverse consequences against the Advocate-on-Record/party-in-person, or any other concerned person responsible for the abovesaid violation.

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(Rajiv Kalra)
Registrar (CC)

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Registrar (J-II)

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Registrar (J-I)

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