ITEM NO.302

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SUPREME COURTOF INDIA RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Writ Petition(s)(Civil) No(s). 558/2020

PRAVASI LEGAL CELL

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.

Respondent(s)

Date : 19-06-2020 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ASHOK BHUSHAN HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KISHAN KAUL HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M.R. SHAH

For Petitioner(s) Mr. M.R. Srivignesh, Adv. Mr. Jose Abraham, AOR

For Respondent(s) Mr. Tushar Mehta, SG Mr. Rajat Nair, Adv. Ms. Swati Ghildiyal, Adv. Mr. B.V. Balram Das, Adv.

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following

ORDER

This writ petition under Article 32 has been filed seeking a direction to the respondents to make appropriate use of Indian Community Welfare Fund (ICWF) towards repatriation of the economically weaker Indian expatriates including migrant labourers stranded in Gulf countries.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the aforesaid fund can be utilized for the above-said purpose.

Learned Solicitor General submits that these are the matter of policy. In event the petitioner makes a representation to the Government, the same shall be considered by the Government in accordance with law.

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We are of the view that no direction can be issued as prayed in the writ petition. The writ petition is accordingly dismissed. However, it shall be open for the petitioner to make an appropriate representation to the Government of India which may be considered in accordance with law.

(MEENAKSHI KOHLI) AR-CUM-PS (RENU KAPOOR) COURT MASTER