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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO.1152 OF 2002

Citisspace and others

).. Petitioners

Versus

State of Maharashtra and others

).. Respondents

Mr.Shiraz Rustomjee, Senior Advocate, with Ms.Manjari Shah and Mr.Rohan Rajyadhyaksha i/b Thakore Jariwala Associates for the Petitioners.

Mr.Shailesh Shah, Senior Advocate, with Mr.G.D. Uttangale and Mr.J.G. Reddy for SRA.

CORAM : MOHIT S. SHAH, C.J. &

M.S. SANKLECHA, J.

DATE : 29 AUGUST 2013

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Having regard to the issues involved in this writ petition, which is pending for the last more than ten years, and also having regard to the competing claims over the open spaces in the city of Mumbai, namely acute shortage of open spaces on the one hand and 50% of the population residing in slums on the other hand, it appears that an amicable solution is required to be evolved by the parties entering into a dialogue. For this purpose, it would be desirable if a meeting of the parties and their Counsel is convened by

the learned Advocate General where other options as alternatives to the impugned policy could be considered and if required could be further discussed at further appropriate levels. It goes without saying that all this would take place without prejudice to the rights and contentions of the parties.

2. Petition shall now be listed for hearing on 3 October 2013 at 3.00 p.m.

CHIEF JUSTICE

M.S. SANKLECHA, J.