

JUDGMENT MATRIX

High Court Bar Association Allahabad v. State of Uttar Pradesh and Ors. (MANU/SC/0149/2024; 2024/INSC/150)

No Automatic Vacation of Stay Orders of HCs on Civil & Criminal Trials

Bench: CJI D.Y. Chandrachud, Justices Abhay S Oka, J.B. Pardiwala, Pankaj Mithal and Manoj Misra

ISSUES

OBSERVATION BY SUPREME COURT

Whether SC has the authority to order automatic vacation of stay orders of High Courts on civil & criminal trials under Art 142 of Constitution?



Such blanket directions cannot be issued under Article 142 of Constitution as it would violate the principles of natural justice.

Whether SC can lay down the timeline to decide the pending cases?



SC should refrain from fixing timebound schedule for the disposal of cases pending before any other courts.

Whether SC can issue procedural directions for expeditious and timely disposal of cases under Article 142 of Constitution?



SC can always issue directions to the courts for streamlining procedural aspects.