



SCBA NEWSLETTER

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Hon'ble Mr. Justice P. Sathasivam

The Chief Justice of India

on

25th April, 2014

The following Executive Committee of the Supreme Court Bar Association was elected for a period of 1 year in the Annual Elections held just before the winter break on 16.12.2013.



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March 27, 2014



MESSAGE

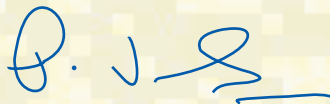
I am delighted to learn that the Supreme Court Bar Association is publishing the first edition of its quarterly Newsletter.

The Supreme Court Bar Association is one of the finest bar associations in the country, fervently dedicated to safeguard the Constitutional values and uphold the rule of law. It manifests a deeply embedded and consecrated tradition of our shared vows to uphold the highest standards of professional ethics and to solicit mutual cooperation and assistance in the administration of justice.

I am glad to know that the Supreme Court Bar Association hosts various educational programmes and social events throughout the year to facilitate healthy deliberations on issues that impact on the legal fraternity and the judicial system at large. Such events also provide a networking forum for its members. In this backdrop, the initiative to publish a quarterly newsletter is welcome. Newsletter shall keep the members apprised of significant events and happenings in legal arena, and shall provide a collective voice to the vital issues.

I congratulate the Supreme Court Bar Association for taking one step further in its purposeful journey. I sincerely believe that the idea of publishing newsletter shall be received well among the members of the legal fraternity and shall advance its cause and concerns.

My best wishes to the Bar Association for all its future endeavours|


(P. SATHASIVAM)



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Dated 06.04.2014

MESSAGE



I am delighted that Supreme Court Bar Association will have a regular Newsletter to keep Hon'ble members informed about the activities carried out by the Association as well as by the Executive Committee. This will also help the Hon'ble members to give their suggestions. With the cooperation of all the Hon'ble members the Newsletter will be a great success and will bring all the Hon'ble members together.

I wish newsletter all success.

Pravin H. Parekh
President, SCBA

MEETINGS

GENERAL BODY MEETING

The SCBA General Body Meeting was held on 10.01.2014 at Supreme Court Lawns with the agenda to invite suggestions from the Members of the Bar regarding their aspirations and expectations and the directions in which the present Executive Committee elected by them should work during its tenure. Many speakers participated and expressed their views on various important matters.

Photographs of General Body Meeting held on 10.01.2014 at Supreme Court Lawns



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Regular monthly meetings of the Executive Committee are being held to discuss, deliberate and decide on important issues concerning the members of the Bar. Executive Committee has also resolved to display all confirmed minutes of the Executive Committee Meetings on the Notice Board as well as on our Website, accordingly, the approved minutes of meetings are being regularly updated on the SCBA Notice Board and Website for the perusal, convenience and participation of the members of the Bar.

SUB COMMITTEES

The Executive Committee has formed 17 Sub-committees for managing day-to-day affairs of Supreme Court Bar Association, details & composition of which are available on SCBA website.

KEY FOCUS AREAS

- The Executive Committee is committed to make its best endeavors to ensure that there are at least 1000 chambers for the lawyers in the new construction that is underway at Pragati Maidan. In this regard, detailed representations have been made and are being pursued with the Hon'ble Chief Justice of India, the Hon'ble Law Minister and at other forums that 750 chambers over and above 250 chambers (currently being constructed) may be constructed in the land at Pragati Maidan, which has already been allotted to the Supreme Court of India. Since the area falls in MCD, restriction regarding height of the building is not applicable and additional vacant land is already available for future use. We have requested the Central Government to give necessary funds along with other works which are going on, for construction of additional 750 chambers. Additional chambers will require allocation of supplementary funds from Central Government. When the Executive Committee met Mr. Kapil Sibal requesting for financial approval from Central Government, he said that this amount can't be sanctioned since Union Budget does not have any provision for providing funds for SCBA and there was only vote on accounts therefore only new government can consider it. This we will pursue with the Government after 16th May.
- The Executive Committee is also vigorously pursuing the issue of the grant of Rs.1 crore given to the Supreme Court Bar Association for the construction of Auditorium, which has been demanded back by the Government along with penal interest, so that SCBA may be permitted to utilize the said fund, which is lying in a separate account, along with accrued interest, for its libraries, furniture, fixtures and for the welfare fund for the needy and deserving members of the Supreme Court Bar Association.
- Another important issue that has been the focus area of the Executive Committee is to persuade the Hon'ble Court to waive maintenance and service charges being levied on lawyers/allottees of chambers. The President, Vice President and Hony. Secretary had a detailed and positive interaction with the Judges of the Chambers Allotment Committee and submitted a detailed representation on this issue.
- The issue of waiver of license fee and commercial charges for water and electricity for the Plaza Canteen and Ist floor Cafeteria is also being vigorously pursued by the Executive Committee. Since both these are inside the high security zone, with extremely limited access, therefore, they commercially suffer the brunt of long vacations in the Court, during which period they have negligible business. This makes business unviable for them which ultimately impacts the quality of food and service for the members.
- The Executive Committee has unanimously resolved to transfer a sum of Rs.250/- from each annual subscription of Rs. 1500/-, of each of its members, to SCBA Advocate Welfare Fund, for current and future years also, since SCBA is a large organization and the welfare fund is a must to help the members in the time of their urgent need. SCBA has also resolved to make their best efforts to impress

upon the Hon'ble Judges, the dire need and importance of making costs payable to the Advocate Welfare Fund of Supreme Court Bar Association, and requests all the Hon'ble Members to kindly take this up on high priority and generously donate and also request the Hon'ble Judges on case to case basis, to award all or substantial costs towards the SCBA Advocate Welfare Fund, whenever any cost is awarded by the Hon'ble Court in their presence. SCBA proposes to set up a medical and term insurance scheme for its members from this fund.

- The Executive Committee has also been actively engaged with appropriate authorities on several big and small issues concerning the best interests of the Bar, which ultimately also subserve the interests of Justice, including working in tandem with the Registry to achieve maximum efficiency and minimum roadblocks, trying to find workable solutions to the ever-increasing problem of crowd management in the Court premises, parking areas, Courtrooms and corridors, trying to improve the levels of cleanliness, hygiene and aesthetics of the surroundings, regular logistic and mundane maintenance issues.



MEETINGS WITH DIGNITARIES

The Executive Committee of the Supreme Court Bar Association went to meet and interacted with the following dignitaries/officials to pursue the above focus areas and important issues concerning the interest of the Bar.

- Hon'ble Mr. M. Hamid Ansari, the Vice President of India
- Hon'ble Mr. Justice P. Sathasivam, the Chief Justice of India
- Hon'ble Judges of various committees.
- Mr. Kapil Sibal, Union Minister for Law & Justice, Communication & Information Technology.
- Mrs. Sushma Swaraj, Leader of the Opposition, Lok Sabha
- Mr. Arun Jaitley, Leader of Opposition in Rajya Sabha
- Shri E.M. Sudarsana Natchiappan, Minister of State for Commerce & Industry, Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion

ACTIVITIES

CULTURAL PROGRAMME

On 10.01.2014, SCBA organized a Cultural Programme, in which a large number of SCBA Members participated with a lot of enthusiasm and fervor, there was poetry, music, songs, dances and acts. All the members enjoyed the fun and gaiety.

Mr. Pravin H.Parekh (Sr.), President of SCBA hosted a dinner at which all members of SCBA were invited. It was very well attended by large number of the members of the SCBA.

Photographs of Cultural Programme as well as President's dinner held on 10.01.2014 at Supreme Court Lawns are given below.





SPORTS

The Supreme Court Bar Association organized a friendly Cricket Match that was played on 29.03.2014 between CJI-XI and President, SCBA-XI at Feroz Shah Kotla Ground, New Delhi. Hon'ble Mr. Justice T. S. Thakur was captain of Judges team and our president Mr. Parekh was captain of our team. Toss was won by Mr. Parekh, who opted to bat first. I am very happy to inform that in a very keenly played, watched and cheered match, the President SCBA-XI made 153 runs for 2 wickets in 20 overs and CJI-XI was all out for only 143 runs in 18 overs. The President SCBA-XI won the match by 10 runs. The Chief Justice of India distributed the prizes to the players.

Supreme Court Advocates' Cricket League Matches were also played amongst 8 teams on 22nd & 23rd February, 2014 at Modern School, Barakhamba Road, New Delhi, in which, four teams qualified for the semifinals in knockout matches. The Semifinal matches were played at Karnail Singh Stadium on 23rd March, 2014, where Rakesh Dwivedi-XI and KTS Tulsi-XI emerged as the finalist teams. The final Match was played between winners of Semifinals on 29.03.2014 at Feroz Shah Kotla Ground, Delhi Gate, New Delhi. The Rakesh Dwivedi-XI won the final match defeating KTS Tulsi-XI. The Lady Members Cricket Match was also played on 23.03.2014.

SCBA thanks all the team owners/players/sponsors for their generous contribution and Mr.K.T.S.Tulsi (Sr.), newly nominated Member of Rajya Sabha for hosting the lunch for players and SCBA members on 29.03.2014 and also congratulates all players and all members for their enthusiastic participation.

Photographs of Cricket Match played between CJI-XI and President, SCBA-XI at Feroz Shah Kotla Ground New Delhi on 29th March 2014 are given below.





Photographs of all 8 teams of Supreme Court Advocates' Cricket League



Photographs of Final Cricket Match played between Rakesh Dwivedi-XI and K.T.S.Tulsi-XI at Feroz Shah Kotla Ground New Delhi on 29th March 2014.





Photographs of Lady Members Cricket match played at Karnail Singh Stadium, New Delhi on 23.03.2014.





Photographs of first semifinal match played between Rakesh Dwivedi-XI and Dipak Bhattacharya-XI at Karnail Singh Stadium, New Delhi on 23.03.2014.



Photographs of second semifinal match played between Mohan Parasaran-XI and KTS Tulsi-XI at Karnail Singh Stadium, New Delhi on 23.03.2014.





Photographs of Knockout Cricket Matches played at Modern School on 22 & 23 February, 2014.





FAREWELL TO HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE H.L. GOKHALE

The Supreme Court Bar Association hosted a Farewell function on 07.03.2014 in honour of Hon'ble Mr. Justice H.L. Gokhale on his retirement at Supreme Court Lawns, in which, a large number of Members participated.

Photographs of farewell function of Hon'ble Mr. Justice H.L. Gokhale held on 07.03.2014 at Supreme Court Lawns.







VISITS OF HON'BLE JUDGES AND MINISTER OF STATE TO THE SCBA

Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajesh Kumar Agrawal, who was elevated as Judge of Supreme Court of India, visited SCBA Library-1, Library-2 and Ladies Bar Room on 18.02.2014 and had an interaction with the members of the Bar.

Photographs of visit of Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajesh Kumar Agrawal, Judge, Supreme Court of India at SCBA Library on 18.02.2014.



Hon'ble Mr. Justice Nuthalapati Venkata Ramana, who was elevated as Judge of Supreme Court of India, visited SCBA Library-1, Library-2 and Ladies Bar Room on **20.02.2014** and had an interaction with the members of the Bar.

Photographs of visit of Hon'ble Mr. Justice Nuthalapati Venkata Ramana, Judge, Supreme Court of India at SCBA Library on 20.02.2014





Shri E.M. Sudarsana Natchiappan, Minister of State for Commerce & Industry, Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion, Government of India, who is also a Senior Advocate and member of SCBA, visited SCBA Library-1 on 04.02.2014 and interacted with the members of the Bar.

Photographs of visit of Hon'ble Mr. E.M. Sudarsana Natchiappan, Minister of State for Commerce & Industry at SCBA Library No.1 on 04.02.2014.





VISITS OF FOREIGN DELEGATION TO THE SCBA

The President of Notary Association of Novosibirsk Region, Russia and other lawyers (Russian Delegation), visited SCBA Library No.1 and interacted with the members of the Bar on **11.02.2014**.



LECTURES

The Executive Committee organized the following two prestigious lectures for the benefit of the Hon'ble Members of the Bar.

Mr. Jeffrey D. Colman, Chairman Illinois Supreme Court Commission on Access to Justice, delivered a lecture on "Terrorism and Civil Liberties: Representing Prisoners at Guantanamo Bay" on **02.01.2014** at SCBA Library No.1.

Ms. Nancy C. Loeb, Director of Environmental Law Clinic at North Western University School of Law, delivered a lecture on "Practicing Environmental Law in the United States" on **02.01.2014** at SCBA Library No.2



CAMP

The Supreme Court Bar Association organized a camp on "**AWARENESS ON PREVENTION OF CANCER**" exclusively for women, in association with Navoothan Cancer Foundation on 10th & 11th March, 2014. After a powerpoint presentation at SCBA Ladies Bar Room in two sessions, willing lady members were examined by a team of doctors from Indian Cancer Society with a mobile screening van.



VISIT TO RASHTRAPATI BHAWAN BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee was invited to visit the Rashtrapati Bhawan with spouses and were given a very warm tour of important halls, museums, Mughal Gardens and were thereafter invited for high-tea by the office of the Hon'ble President of India.

BECOMING A FRIEND IN NEED

The present Executive Committee also extended its helping hand to some of our members for their emergent medical and financial need.

OBITUARY

A full Court reference was conducted in the memory of 3 of our Hon'ble Members namely:- Late T.L.Viswanatha Iyer, Senior Advocate, Late Shiva Pujan Singh, Advocate & former Hony. Secretary of SCBA & Late Pushpa Kapila Hingorani, Advocate, who were great legal luminaries and path breaking in their own right in the judicial system and the bar.

The SCBA also conducted condolence meetings in the memory of 25 of our Hon'ble Members, who left for their heavenly abode last year and this year.

SMALL MILESTONES

Restructuring/Computerization of SCBA Office

The office of SCBA has been restructured to make it more spacious, convenient and friendly for the Members. Vigorous and comprehensive work is underway to computerize all the manual transactions which were hitherto taking place in the SCBA office. In this regard computer software is being developed to digitize and systematize all important information regarding members' subscription, their profile, car parking sticker, other payments, lockers details, cubicle use details and interlinking of SCBA Office to the SCBA Library. The members are receiving computer generated receipt with members' photograph and other details. This will make the SCBA office more modern, efficient, accurate and effective, to enable it to serve its members better.

Resolution of pending Income Tax scrutiny case

Pending Income Tax Scrutiny case against SCBA for the assessment year 2011-12, which had remained pending for a long time, was attended to by our new chartered Accountant and the same has been resolved with 'Nil' Tax Liability. Vide order dated 10.3.2014, the Income Tax Officer has found SCBA eligible for the benefit of Sections 11 and 12 of the Income Tax Act, 1961. Copy of the Order is available on the Website of SCBA.

Permission for allotment of Lockers

After concerted efforts of the Executive Committee, we have been granted permission to allot the lockers. We have a total of 55 Cabinet of lockers, which are kept in the basement of M.C. Setalvad Lawyers Chambers (33 Cabinets) and C.K. Daphtary Lawyers Chambers Block (22 Cabinets). The Executive Committee has decided to allot lockers to all applicant-members who are otherwise eligible for lockers, since total lockers are 660 and total Applications are 536, against a one time non-refundable payment of Rs.2000/-. It has also been decided that all those members who have got chambers should be asked to surrender their lockers so that the same may be made available to the needy members.



Website/Facebook/Email

In the interest of greater transparency, inclusiveness, better connectivity and easy access, all SCBA Circulars and Notices, all confirmed minutes of the Executive Committee and photographs of the functions and events are being regularly updated on our Website and Facebook page. SCBA is also reaching out to the members through e-mail and SMS for important information for better and effective communication, from the ID secretary@scbaindia.org. I request Hon'ble Members to update their e-mail IDs in the SCBA office, in case you are not getting emails from us, to enable us to reach you by email. Please do take the time to visit our Website regularly, which also has a link of our Facebook page.

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Maintaining Register for chamber placement of Junior Members

The SCBA is maintaining a register at the Reception Counter of Library No.1, where the younger members are putting their details for placement as chamber juniors. We request all members to give opportunity to the Junior Members of the Bar for chamber placement.



WI-FI connection in SCBA Library No. 1

Internet Wi-Fi connection has been installed in SCBA Library No.1 for members' benefit and members can use this facility for their laptops/mobiles etc. The facility is available to the members of Supreme Court Bar Association who do not have any dues with the Bar and is free of charge for the time being.



Minimum strain on SCBA Funds

Committee has been making all endeavors not to strain the limited funds of SCBA while maximizing the activities for the benefit of the members. This could not have been possible without the extremely gracious and generous donations that we have received from our members and SCBA takes this opportunity to express its sincere gratitude to the following members for their contribution:

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15	SH. RAMESH CHANDRA SHAH	1,000



Library

The Executive Committee invited suggestions from the Members for improvement of libraries and requirement of books. The SCBA purchased various law books and regular journals for the members' reference. Some of our Members have donated latest local laws of States to the SCBA Library, we also got some useful books from the Judges Library and we are very thankful to all of them for their generosity. We are committed to improve and hopefully radicalize our libraries, expansion of E-research library and modernization of existing libraries is a must. Our dream and vision is to have a world class library, which is extremely rich in all aspects that may require to be looked up and researched by any lawyer, practicing in any field of law in the country and even outside. Additionally, all the assets and resources of the library should be digitized, so that our members can access it even from their offices, homes or courtrooms, on their laptops or tablets. We also propose to have a state of the art audio-visual system in the Library 1, which gives live feed to other libraries and ladies bar room for better participation during lectures etc.



Canteen

The Supreme Court has accepted the request of the Executive Committee to appoint new Caterers in Ist Floor Cafeteria and Plaza Canteen for better quality of food and services to the members. M/s. Aidskills Ventures, who is also running the canteen in the Delhi High Court, is running the Plaza Canteen and M/s. Vainteya Traders, who is a distributor of Saras and Bikaji is running the 1st floor Cafeteria. Hon'ble Members are requested to try the new products and give their valuable suggestions for improvement and betterment of both canteens.



Easy Ingress and Egress and Parking

The astronomical increase in the number of cars and paucity of spaces in all parking areas, causes great inconvenience to the members in addition to being a security risk. On this issue, the Executive Committee has been laboring with the authorities at multiple levels, trying to get the parking barricade in front of Library 1, completely or at least partially removed, exploring the option of allowing limited access on Bhagwandas Road during peak hours, opening gate F for exit from parking in front of Library 1, parking for Chauffeur-driven vehicles in front of Pragati Maidan etc.



Registry Issues

The Executive Committee has been engaging with different arms of the Registry to work in tandem on all issues to streamline the efforts of the Registry to make it more friendly and convenient for the members of the Bar and ultimately to subserve the interest of the entire Justice Delivery System of the Supreme Court of India. Some of the issues that SCBA has been constantly highlighting and pressing are:-

- Office Reports should be updated on website;
- SMS for sudden chamber matters and eliminations from final list;
- Backup server for display boards;

- More counters for re-filing and order apply;
- Compilation of all procedural notices should be available on website;
- All issues referred and pending for adjudication by Constitutional/Larger Bench should be available on website;
- Registry should give typed objections;
- Complete overhaul and installation of commercial grade water filter and water coolers;
- Better cleanliness and maintenance of the washrooms;
- Signal boosters in the court premises and chamber blocks;
- Wi-fi in the complete premises;
- Use of “F” Gate by lawyers with proximity cards;
- More LCD/LED display boards;
- Crowd management in court rooms and corridors;
- Separate entry and exit doors;
- Remove curtains on the court doors;
- Last row of chairs in the court rooms to be removed;
- Portable coolers/ mist fans in corridors during summer months;
- Permission for tea/coffee vending machine next to Court No.11;
- Permission for food kiosks in all chamber blocks;
- Bigger space for ladies bar room;
- Access to C.K. Daphtary Chambers block from I.L.I.;
- Explore the possibility of connecting court room Nos.13-15 to Court Room No.5 for crowd management in corridors;
- Name boards for M C Setalwad and C K Daphtary chambers blocks;
- New paint for Mahatma Gandhi's statue;
- Earmarked smoking rooms;
- Space for clerk association;
- Space for SBI at the extension counter of UCO Bank;
- Dedicated space for notary and typing pool.



Constitutional reforms

The Executive Committee has undertaken a comprehensive exercise for suggesting Constitutional Reforms along with a compilation of all requisitions received for the last 5 years, which will soon be presented for consideration of General Body of SCBA.



Comprehensive medical and term insurance for members

SCBA aspires to introduce a comprehensive medical and term insurance scheme to meet exigencies and emergencies in the family of our members. Over the years, it has become writ large and starkly clear that medical and life emergency leaves the entire family of most of our members in grave destitution and hardship. Since, the nature of work of lawyers does not provide for health insurance, Provident Fund, Gratuity, Pension and other benefits to meet with emergent situations in the family, therefore, it is necessary to have a good scheme to cover these emergencies.



Better Hospital/dispensary/dedicated ambulance for lawyers in the premises

The medical facilities to deal with urgent medical issues in the premises of Supreme Court of India for lawyers and other stakeholders of the Justice Delivery System are woefully inadequate. The funds are required to have a dedicated well equipped ambulance as well as a dispensary and pharmacy with necessary doctors and other facilities to deal with urgent and regular medical issues on the premises.



Congratulations

One of our tallest lady member Ms. Lily Thomas, has been conferred the award of Indian of the Year by CNN-IBN under the title of Public Service on 20th December, 2013, at a function held in the Taj Palace Hotel, Chankaya Puri, New Delhi. The award consists of a Trophy & the following Citation "For piloting the PIL which led to the amendment of law which prevents convicted politicians from contesting polls."

Mr. KTS Tulsi, Senior Advocate and former Additional Solicitor General of India, has been nominated to the Rajya Sabha. On behalf of the entire Supreme Court Bar Association, we congratulate Ms. Lily Thomas and Mr. KTS Tulsi for their spectacular achievement and we are proud to have them as our members.



Birds Eye View of our Wish-list to Hon'ble The Chief Justice of India and Hon'ble Judges of Supreme Court.

- 750 chambers over and above 250 chambers (currently being constructed) should be constructed in the land at Pragati Maidan.
- Waive maintenance & service charges being levied on lawyers/allottees of chambers.
- Award substantial costs in favor of the 'SCBA Advocate Welfare Fund'.
- Remove barricades from main parking lot, which will streamline the entire parking in front of Library 1.
- Waive licence fee as well as commercial charges for water and electricity from the Plaza Canteen and 1st floor Cafeteria.
- Permit use of "F" Gate by lawyers with proximity cards.
- Increase counters for defect curing and order apply, Office Reports be available on website and typed defects.
- Immediate discontinuation of statement of cases.
- Portable coolers/ mist fans in corridors during summer months.
- Installation of efficient and commercial grade water coolers/RO in the Court premises as well as all chambers block.
- Installation of Tea/Coffee/snacks vending kiosks in old Chamber Blocks.
- Improved cleanliness within court premises, corridors, chamber blocks and washrooms.
- Proper sitting place for Notary & Oath Commissioners.



Respected Seniors and Dear Colleagues,

It was a wonderful exercise for us to compile this news-letter and we hope that you enjoy reading it as much as we have enjoyed compiling it and bringing it to you. The Newsletter has become a picture book to a large extent, but since pictures speak a thousand words, we trust and hope that we will be heard better.

We are a melting pot of the entire country, with lawyers from across the length and breadth of the country, practicing in the Supreme Court. Lawyers from every city and strata join together to form a proud Supreme Court Bar Association. We are a living and working example of national integration at its best. The subsidiary purpose of this Newsletter is to connect with you and appraise you of our activities, the true purpose is to request your guidance, assistance and co-operation on important issues concerning the members of the Bar, to explore and tap into our biggest resource and strength, which is our Hon'ble Members and to make an earnest request to kindly join us in our crusade to make the Supreme Court of India a better place to work and the best second home.

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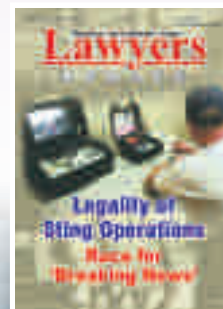
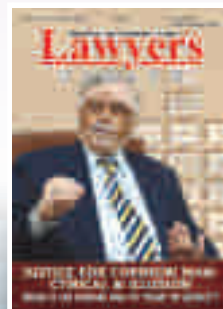
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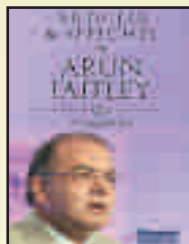


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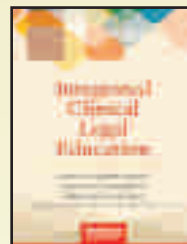
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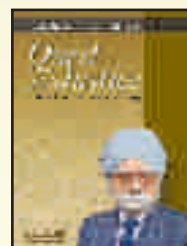
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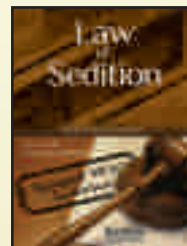
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