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SSR Case Media Trial : Bombay High Court to pronounce verdict at 11 AM today on the PILs seeking regulation of 'media trial'. The PILs were filed in the context of reportage of Sushant Singh Rajput death case.

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#SSRCase #MediaTrial



A division bench of Chief Justice Dipankar Dutta and Justice GS Kulkarni had reserved verdict on the PILs on November 6. During the hearing, the bench made several sharp oral observations criticizing the media reports on #SSRCase.

Here is a recap :

#SushanthSinghRajput

(From October 29, 2020)

'Asking Public About Who To Be Arrested Is Investigative Journalism?' Bombay HC Asks Republic TV In SSR Media Trial Case -

@republic

#RepublicTV

https://t.co/r8pLUyiSHA

(From October 21, 2020)

'If You Become Investigator, Prosecutor & Judge, Why Are We Here?' Bombay HC Expresses Concerns Over Media Trial

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#SSR

https://t.co/XGK9yixtV1

(From October 23, 2020)

Media Highly Polarized Now; Journalists Were Responsible & Neutral In Past, Bombay High Court Says While Hearing SSR Media Trial Case

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https://t.co/AcMrhaU2R4

(From October 29, 2020)

[SSR Medial Trial] 'We Would Like Media Not To Cross Boundaries': Bombay High Court Mulls Guidelines For Reporting On Investigation

https://t.co/q2hbnFhR8w

Bench of CJ Dipankar Dutta and GS Kulkarni convene for pronouncement of the #mediatrial judgement.

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Bombay High Court will pronounce the Judgement at 2.30pm.

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The bench starts pronouncement of verdict in the #MediaTrial case.

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CJ Dutta : We have overruled the preliminary objections against the maintainability of the PILs

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CJ Dutta : We have said that the trial by media interferes with the criminal investigation by police.

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CJ Dutta : We have held that media trial runs counter to the program code framed under the Cable TV Act.

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CJ Dutta : We have also issued guidelines for the print and electronic media regarding the reporting of cases of death and suicide. We have made the Press Council of India guidelines applicable to the electronic media as well.

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[Breaking] Bombay High Court observes that some reporting of the Republic TV @republic and Times Now @TimesNow against Mumbai police @MumbaiPolice in the SSR matter are "prima facie contemptuous" but refrains from taking action.

'Press/media ought to avoid discussions, debates relating to criminal investigation and should confine only to informative reports in such matters in public interest', Bombay HC observes.

'We observe that media should observe restraint in discussions about on going investigation so as to prejudice the rights of the accused and witness' - Bombay High Court

Publishing a confession alleged to have been made by an accused as if it is an admissible evidence without letting the public know about its inadmissibility should be avoided - Bombay High Court

While reporting suicide, to suggest that the person was of weak character, should be avoided - Bombay High Court.

Reconstructing of crime scenes, interviews with potential witnesses, leaking sensitive and confidential information should be avoided - Bombay High Court.

Investigative agencies are entitled to keep secrecy about the on going investigation and they are under no obligation to divulge information - Bombay High Court.

Bombay High Court says it is adopting the suggestion of Sr Adv Arvind Datar regarding the appointing of a public information officer by police to give authentic information about investigation.

'Findings and observations in the judgment are not a reflection on the pending investigations and the concerned criminal court should decide the issues uninfluenced by the observations' - Bombay High Court