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**HC seeks details of pending cases
against lawmakers**

BENGALURU, DHNS: The High Court has directed the registrar general of the court and the state government to provide documents/details of the pending cases against lawmakers (MPs, MLAs and MLCs).

The High Court has taken up a suo motu PIL to monitor the trials in the cases against the legislators as per the orders of the Supreme Court. The High Court had appointed senior advocate Aditya Sondhi as amicus curiae to assist the court.

A division bench headed by Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka observed that at

present only one special court, situated in the city civil courts complex in Bengaluru, was hearing the criminal cases against the lawmakers.

The bench directed the registrar general to submit details about the number of cases pending, the stages at which these cases are pending and cases stayed by the higher courts with particulars of the orders of stay.

The court directed the government to submit details of the availability of public prosecutors and infrastructure, including ensuring a safe and secure witness room on the special court premises. The court directed

the registrar general to ensure that the special court is immediately modified as per the standard operating procedure issued with regard to recording of the witnesses.

As per the suggestion of the amicus curiae before the Supreme Court, the bench asked the state government to take necessary steps for appointing a senior police officer as a nodal officer to assist the advocate general/additional advocate general.

The bench asked the registrar general, the state government and the amicus curiae to submit a memo with any other information, within a period of one week. The matter has been posted for orders to October 5.

