

**FULL COURT REFERENCE ON THE  
SAD DEMISE OF MR. N.S.SISTANI, A  
SENIOR ADVOCATE OF THIS  
COURT.**

The President and Secretary of the Delhi High Court Bar Association, Additional Solicitor General of India, Standing Counsel for the Government of Delhi, Ladies and Gentlemen.

It is very sad that again after two days break, we have assembled here to condole the demise of Mr. N.S. Sistani, a Senior Advocate of this Court, who breathed his last on 6<sup>th</sup> of this month.

Mr. Sistani was born in the year 1925 at Chakwal, District Jehlum. He graduated from a most prestigious Government College at Lahore (now in Pakistan). In the year 1948, Mr. Sistani obtained LL.B. degree from Punjab University at Shimla. For a brief period he worked with All India Radio. In the year 1949, Mr. N.S. Sistani joined the Bar.

I am told that Mr. Sistani was a great persuasive lawyer and argued a number of landmark cases and represented Government organizations, Banks and a large number of national and multinational

Corporations. He was a man with cool temperament and submissive in nature. He never lost his temper in any circumstances. He was respected by one and all. He was a light for the young generation. It was Mr. Sistani who got a privilege to appear in an International Arbitration in Poland in the year 1962.

It is only because of his legal knowledge and the qualities which he possessed, Mr. N.S. Sistani was conferred with the honour of a Senior Advocate of this Court by the Full Court of this Court in the year 1983. Mr. Sistani chaired a number of legal seminars, arbitrations and Lok Adalats.

Apart from his legal profession, Mr. N.S. Sistani was a good sportsman and was an active member of Delhi Golf Club. He was also an Editor of his College Magazine 'Ravi'. He was fond of Urdu poetry and was an avid reader.

Mr. N.S. Sistani had a deep interest in academic field too. Because of his wide experience and expertise he held the post of Chairman, S.S. Khalsa (Chakwal)

Senior Secondary School, New Delhi for over fifteen years. He participated actively as a Member of the Governing Committee of Kamla Nehru College, Mata Sundri College and Guru Harkrishan Public School, very renowned Colleges and School in Delhi.

There was ample space in the heart of Mr. Sistani for the upliftment of poor and down trodden people. He used to take active part in social work. Because of ample qualities, knowledge, and patience, Mr. N.S. Sistani is recognized as a soft spoken and a strict disciplinarian gentleman.

It is irretrievable loss for the judicial fraternity as a whole; a personal loss for his family members and more particularly to his son – Mr. G.S. Sistani, a practicing lawyer of this Court. We are all helpless but can only pray for peace to the departed soul.

I, on behalf of myself and on behalf of my colleagues on the Bench convey our deep-felt condolences to the family members of Mr. N.S. Sistani

and pray to the Almighty for the peace to the departed soul and strength to the bereaved members of the family to bear this loss.

**(AFTER REFERENCE BY LAWYERS IS OVER)**

**I REQUEST YOU ALL TO PAY HOMAGE TO THE MEMORY OF MR. N.S. SISTANI BY STANDING IN SILENCE FOR TWO MINTUES.**

**( B.C. PATEL )  
Chief Justice**

**July 11, 2005**

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**(The Hon'ble Judges will take their respective seats for a moment).**

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**As a mark of respect to the departed soul, the Court is adjourned for the rest of the day.**

**( B.C. PATEL )  
Chief Justice**