

BHOPAL GAS TRAGEDY: CENTRE 'KEEN' TO PURSUE CURATIVE PLEA

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The Centre on Tuesday informed the Supreme Court of its resolve to pursue its nearly 12-year-old curative petition seeking enhancement of compensation to the victims of the Bhopal gas tragedy, over and above the \$470 million already paid by Union Carbide. "The government is very keen to pursue this matter... It is a concern of the government that we cannot abandon the victims," Attorney-General R. Venkataramani submitted before a Constitution Bench led by Sanjay Kishan Kaul. In its curative petition, the Centre had contended that the compensation, determined in 1989, was arrived at on assumptions of truth unrelated to realities.

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