

of proclamation of the notification under sub-section (2) of that section, file a petition before the State Government or the authority specified by it :

Provided that the State Government or the authority, as the case may be, may entertain the petition after the expiry of the said period if it is satisfied that the petitioner was prevented by sufficient cause from filing the petition in time.

(2) The State Government or the authority before which the petition is filed shall dispose of the petition as expeditiously as possible.

5. *Reports by the State Government.*—Every State Government shall, for the purpose of enabling the Central Government to place the report referred to in sub-section (4) of Sec. 15-A, on the Table of each House of Parliament, furnish to that Government before the 15th day of February, each year a summary of the measures taken by it under sub-sections (1) and (2) of that section during the preceding calendar year and shall also furnish other information as may be required by the Central Government from time to time.