## High Court of Judicature at Allahabad

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- 12. In the first phase, the Chambers of learned Advocates would not be opened, however, if the system of physical hearing on the guidelines framed by the High Court remain successful, the decision about opening of the Chambers would be taken.