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The Supreme Court has referred to **Constitutional Bench** questions raised in the petition on the interpretation of **Article 293**.

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About Article 293 of the Constitution:

- Article 293(1) outlines the state's executive power to borrow within the territory of India, securing loans against the Consolidated Fund of the State.
 - This borrowing is subject to **limits set by the state legislature**.
- Article 293(2) allows the central government to loan funds to any state or provide guarantees for state loans.
 - These actions are contingent upon conditions set by laws enacted by Parliament.
 - The funds used for these loans are charged to the **Consolidated Fund of India**.
- Article 293(3) imposes restrictions on state borrowing without central government consent, specifically if the state has any outstanding loans or guarantees provided by the central government or its predecessors.
- Article 293(4) details that consent for borrowing under clause (3) can be subject to conditions deemed appropriate by the central government.