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**THE GAUHATI HIGH COURT**  
**(HIGH COURT OF ASSAM, NAGALAND, MIZORAM AND ARUNACHAL PRADESH)**

**Case No. : WP(C)/20/2025**

SURAJ NAIDING AND 3 ORS.  
S/O- LATE SUSHINDRA NAIDING, R/O- VILL.- DIBARAI, P.O. HAFLONG,  
PIN- 788819, DIST. DIMA HASAO, ASSAM

2: BIMONTA THAOSEN  
S/O- LATE THANGSHING THAOSEN  
R/O- VILL.- TOPODISA  
P.S. HAFLONG  
P.O. SARKARI BAGAN  
PIN- 788820  
DIST. DIMA HASAO  
ASSAM

3: DHIRONJOY NAIDING  
S/O- SRI CHATRINON NAIDING  
R/O- COLLEGE ROAD  
DIMA HASAO  
P.S. HAFLONG  
PIN- 788819  
DIST. DIMA HASAO  
ASSAM

4: AMON THAOSEN  
S/O- LATE DAJALA THAOSEN  
R/O- MANDERDISA  
VILL.- LANGTING  
PIN- 788832  
DIST. DIMA HASAO  
ASSA

VERSUS

THE N. C. HILLS AUTONOMOUS COUNCIL AND 5 ORS  
REPRESENTED BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY (N) HAFLONG, DIST. DIMA  
HASAO, ASSAM

2:THE STATE OF ASSAM  
REPRESENTED BY THE CHIEF SECRETARY  
GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM  
BLOCK-C  
3RD FLOOR  
ASSAM SACHIVALAYA  
DISPUR  
GUWAHATI-781006.

3:THE HONBLE GOVERNOR  
STATE OF ASSAM THROUGH HIS SECRETARY  
RAJ BHAWAN  
KHARGULI HILLS  
UZAN BAZAR  
GHY-781001.

4:THE CHAIRMAN  
N.C. HILLS AUTONOMOUS COUNCIL  
HAFLONG  
DIST. DIMA HASAO  
ASSAM

5:THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE MEMBER  
N.C. HILLS AUTONOMOUS COUNCIL  
HAFLONG  
DIST. DIMA HASAO  
ASSAM

6:THE COMMISSIONER AND SECRETARY  
HILLS AREA DEPARTMENT  
GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM  
DISPUR-6  
GUWAHATI  
ASSA

**Advocate for the Petitioner** : MR B D DAS, MRS R DEKA,MR. H R DAS,MR J LOTHAN

**Advocate for the Respondent** : GA, ASSAM, SC, NCHAC

**BEFORE**  
**HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE KALYAN RAI SURANA**  
**HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE SUSMITA PHUKAN KHAUND**

**ORDER**

**Date : 17.02.2026**

(K.R. Surana, J)

Heard Mr. B.D. Das, learned senior counsel, assisted by Ms. R. Deka, learned counsel for the petitioners.

2. The learned senior counsel for the petitioners expresses urgency in the matter on the ground that the matter is pending for almost a year and the provisions of Rule 18 A of the Constitution N.C. Hills Autonomous Council (42<sup>nd</sup> Amendment) Act, 2017 is put to challenge.

3. Mr. D. Saikia, learned Advocate General for the State, assisted by Ms. P. Barua, learned counsel has submitted that in this case, the affidavit of respondent no.3 would be of vital importance and therefore, he prays leave of the Court to file an affidavit on behalf of respondent no.3, for which, he prays for a week's time.

4. The learned senior counsel for the petitioners objects to the prayer for adjournment on the ground that the matter is covered by earlier decision of this Court.

5. Be that as it may, as the respondent no.3 is a constitutional authority, and the learned Advocate General for the State has prayed for time to file an affidavit on behalf of the respondent no.3, the prayer for adjournment is allowed.

6. Affidavit of the respondent no.3 shall be filed by 24.02.2026. Reply,

if any, be filed within 27.02.2026.

7. Mr. D. Thaosen, learned standing counsel for the N.C. Hills Autonomous Council is present.

8. List the matter for further consideration on 02.03.2026.

**JUDGE**

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**Comparing Assistant**