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

Case No. : WP(C)/1111/2022

BHAGABAN KALITA

S/O. LT. SARBESWAR KALITA, A PERMANENT R/O. LATAKATA, P.O./P.S. BASISTHA, GUWAHATI-781029, DIST. KAMRUP (M), ASSAM, REP. FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE 15 (FIFTEEN) ORS. OF (DEVICROP EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION), A REGD. ASSOCIATION VIDE NO.1774 OF 1998 WITH ITS OFFICE AT SAWKUCHI, NH-37, OPP. SARUSAJAI NATIONAL STADIUM COMPLEX, GUWAHATI-34, AFFILIATED TO CENTRE OF INDIAN TRADE UNION (CITU).

VERSUS

THE STATE OF ASSAM AND 6 ORS.

REP. BY THE COMM. AND PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO THE GOVT. OF ASSAM, SOIL CONSERVATION DEPTT., C-BLOCK, 3RD FLOOR, ASSAM SECRETARIAT, DISPUR, GUWAHATI-781006, DIST. KAMRUP (M), ASSAM.

2:THE STATE OF ASSAM

REP. BY THE PRINCIPAL SECY. TO THE GOVT. OF ASSAM
PUBLIC ENTERPRISE DEPTT.

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3RD FLOOR
ASSAM SECRETARIAT
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KAMRUP (M)
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5:THE STATE OF ASSAM

REP. BY THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVT. OF ASSAM
FINANCE DEPTT.
ASSAM SECRETARIAT
DISPUR
GUWAHATI-781006
KAMRUP (M)
ASSAM.

6:THE STATE OF ASSAM

REP. BY THE DIRECTOR OF SOIL CONSERVATION DEPTT. OF ASSAM
BHUMI SANGRAKSHAN BHABAN
R.G. BORUAH ROAD
GUWAHATI-781006
DIST. KAMRUP (M)
ASSAM.

7:THE MANAGING DIRECTOR

ASSAM PLANTATION CROPS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LTD.
OPPOSITE SARUSAJAI NATIONAL STADIUM COMPLEX
P.O. SAWKUCHI
P.S. BASISTHA
NH-37
LAKHARA
GUWAHATI-781040
DIST. KAMRUP (M)

ASSAM

Advocate for the Petitioner : MR I C GOGOI, MR. A BHATTACHARYYA, MR A B DUTTA, MR K BARMAN, MR A SHARMA, MR. P KALITA

Advocate for the Respondent : GA, ASSAM, MR B GOGOI, SC, SOIL CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT., SC, FINANCE

**BEFORE
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE NELSON SAILO**

ORDER

02.09.2024

Mr. A. Bhattacharyya, learned counsel appears for the petitioner and submits that although time was granted to the respondents in the Soil Conservation to get the up-to-date status of the VRS bills being sought to be included in the next budget as per the communication of the Managing Director, Assam Plantation Crops Development Corporation to the Director, Soil Conservation Department, Assam on 22.11.2022 but the affidavit filed by the respondent Nos. 1, 3, 6 & 7 does not contain any such information or clarification.

Ms. R.S. Deuri, learned Standing Counsel, Soil Conservation Department submits that the affidavit filed today was in terms of the Court direction dated 25.06.2024 and with regard to the status of the VRS bills, she will obtain further instructions and file the same by way of an additional affidavit.

Ms. M.D. Borah, learned Standing Counsel, Industries & Public Enterprises

Department submits that she will be representing the respondent No. 8 apart from respondent Nos. 2 & 4 and that the affidavit already filed by respondent Nos. 2 & 4 shall be relied upon the respondent No. 8 as well. Mr. R. Borpujari, learned Standing Counsel, Forest Department appears for the respondent No. 5.

In view of above, Registry to verify and connect the affidavit-in-opposition said to be filed by the respondent Nos. 1, 3, 6 & 7 to the record. The learned Standing Counsel Soil Conservation Department shall also obtain instructions with regard to the status of the VRS bills which was said to have been submitted on 22.11.2022 by the next date.

List the matter again on 23.09.2024.

JUDGE

Comparing Assistant