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

Case No. : WP(C)/547/2026

NORTH EASTERN TEA ASSOCIATION
REPRESENTED THROUGH ITS SECRETARY SMTI MANISHA SHARMA WIFE
OF MUKESH SHARMA HAVING ITS REGISTERED OFFICE AT VILLAGE
BENGENAKHOWA GOLAGHAT TOWN, P.O-GOLAGHAT , P.S-GOLAGHAT,
DISTRICT-GOLAGHAT , PIN-785621

VERSUS

1.THE STATE OF ASSAM AND ANR
THROUGH SECRETARY TO THE GOVT OF ASSAM DEPARTMENT OF
REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT , ASSAM CIVIL
SECRETARIAT , DISPUR , GUWAHATI-06 , ASSAM

2:THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVT OF ASSAM
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT
DEPARTMENT ASSAM SECRETARIAT CIVIL DISPUR GUWAHATI-06 ASSA

Linked Case : WP(C)/554/2026

BHARATIYA CHA PARISHAD
HAVING ITS REGISTERED OFFICE AT JALAN NAGAR DIBRUGARH PIN-
786005 ASSAM REPRESENTED THROUGH ITS SECRETARY
SMTI DOLI PROVA KALITA WIFE OF SRI HEMANTA SARMA
RESIDENT OF EAST CHOWKIDINGEE OLD D.C. BUNGLOW ROAD P.O. AND
P.S. AND DISTRICT DIBRUGARH ASSAM

VERSUS

1.THE STATE OF ASSAM AND ANR
THROUGH SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT
ASSAM SECRETARIAT (CIVIL) DISPUR GUWAHATI PIN- 781006 ASSAM

2:THE SECRETARY
TO THE GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND
DISASTER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT ASSAM SECRETARIAT (CIVIL)
DISPUR GUWAHATI PIN-781006 ASSAM

Linked Case : WP(C)/501/2026

INDIAN TEA ASSOCIATION
THROUGH ITS SECRETARY GENERAL MR ARIJIT RAHA
HAVING ITS REGISTERED OFFICE AT 6 NETAJI SUBHAS ROAD
KOLKATA 700 001 WEST BENGAL AND REGIONAL OFFICE AT 295
MOTHER TERESA ROAD P.O.- ZOO ROAD
P.S.GEETANAGARGUWAHATI781024 ASSAM.

VERSUS

1.THE STATE OF ASSAM AND ANR
THROUGH THE MINISTRY OF REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT
DEPARTMENT ASSAM SECRETARIAT CIVIL
DISPUR GUWAHATI PIN-781006 ASSAM.

2:THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT
ASSAM SECRETARIAT CIVIL DISPUR GUWAHATI PIN-781006 ASSAM

Linked Case : WP(C)/544/2026

ASSAM TEA PLANTERS ASSOCIATION AND ANR
A SOCIETY REGISTERED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE SOCIETIES
REGISTRATION ACT 1860 REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY
MR. ANJAN BHUYAN HAVING ITS OFFICE AT A.T. ROAD
TARANJAN JORHAT- 785001 ASSAM INDIA.

2: MR PRABIR KUMAR BHATTACHARJEE
SECRETARY GENERAL OF AND REPRESENTING THE TEA ASSOCIATION OF
INDIA HAVING HIS OFFICE AT ICC TOWER 4 INDIA EXCHANGE PLACE
7TH FLOOR KOLKATA-700001.

VERSUS

1.THE STATE OF ASSAM AND 6 ORS.
THROUGH THE CHIEF SECRETARY HAVING ITS OFFICE AT GOVERNMENT
OF ASSAM DISPURGUWAHATI- 781006.

2:THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY

GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT
DEPARTMENT ASSAM SECRETARIAT (CIVIL) DISPUR GUWAHATI
ASSAM-781006

3:THE COMMISSIONER AND SECRETARY
REVENUE (REFORMS) DEPARTMENT GOVT.OF ASSAM
DISPUR GUWAHATI ASSAM-781006.

4:THE ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY
REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT
SETTLEMENT BRANCH GOVT. OF ASSAM
DISPUR GUWAHATI ASSAM-781006.

5:THE JOINT SECRETARY
REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT
SETTLEMENT BRANCH GOVT. OF ASSAM
DISPUR GUWAHATI ASSAM-781006.

6:THE DISTRICT COMMISSIONER
CHARAIDEO DISTRICT STATE OF ASSAM
HAVING HIS OFFICE AT CHARAIDEO DISTRICT SONARI ASSAM-785690.

7:THE SECRETARY
LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
ASSAM SECRETARIAT DISPUR ASSAM-781006.

Linked Case : WP(C)/1011/2026

MS SONAPUR TEA COMPANY PVT LTD
A PRIVATE LIMITED COMPANY HAVING ITS REGISTERED OFFICE AT 61 B
PARK STREET KOLKATA 700016 PLACE OF BUSINESS AT SONAPUR
DIST KAMRUP M ASSAM PIN 782402 REPRESENTED BY ITS AUTHORIZED
SIGNATORY AJAY KUMAR PAUL

VERSUS

1.THE STATE OF ASSAM AND 4 ORS
THROUGH THE MINISTRY OF REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT
DEPARTMENT ASSAM SECRETARIAT (CIVIL) GUWAHATI PIN 781006 ASSAM

2:THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT
ASSAM SECRETARIAT (CIVIL) DISPUR GUWAHATI PIN 781006 ASSAM

3:THE DISTRICT COMMISSIONER KAMRUP (METRO) DISTRICT
HENGRABARI GUWAHATI ASSAM PIN 781036

4:THE CO DISTRICT COMMISSIONER DIMORIA CO DISTRICT
SONAPUR ASSAM PIN 782402

5:THE CIRCLE OFFICER SONAPUR REVENUE CIRCLE
KAMRUP (METRO) ASSAM 782402

For the Petitioner(s) : Mr. B. Kaushik, Advocate in WP(C) Nos.547/2026 &
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Das and Ms. S. Katakey, Advocates in 501/2026.
: Mr. R. Sarmah, Advocate in WP(C) No.544/2026.
: Mr. B. Hazarika, Advocate in WP(C) No.1011/2026.

For the Respondent(s) : Mr. D. Saikia, Advocate General, Assam.
: Mr. R. Borpujari, Standing Counsel, Revenue Department.

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HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MR. ASHUTOSH KUMAR
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN DEV CHOUDHURY

26.03.2026

(Ashutosh Kumar, CJ)

Mr. R. Borpujari, learned Standing Counsel, Revenue Department submits that counter affidavit in these set of cases shall positively be filed by the next date, with the copies thereof served on the counsel for the petitioners in advance.

In case any rejoinder is required to be filed, that shall be filed on or before the next date fixed.

Re-notify on 08.06.2026.

JUDGE

CHIEF JUSTICE

Comparing Assistant