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

Case No. : WP(C)/1190/2026

SRI SAJAL NATTA
S/O SADHAN NATTA,
RESIDENT OF BADHARGHAT SRIPALLI,
PO SIDDIASHARAM. DIST WEST TRIPURA,

VERSUS

INDIAN OIL CORPORATION LIMITED AND ORS
REP. BY THE MANAGING DIRECTOR, HAVING ITS REGISTERED OFFICE AT
INDIAN OIL BHAWAN, G9, ALI YAVAR, JUNG MARG, BANDRA EAST,
MUMBAI, 400051

2:THE CHIEF GENERAL MANAGER

INDIAN OIL CORPORATION LIMITED
INDIAN OIL AOD STATE OFFICE
SECTOR II
NOONMATI
GUWAHATI 20
KAMRUP M ASSAM

3:MANAGER
(LPG-OPS)
INDIAN OIL CORPORATION LIMITED
INDIAN OIL AOD STATE OFFICE
SECTOR II
NOONMATI
GUWAHATI 20
KAMRUP M ASSA

Advocate for the Petitioner : MR. S BORTHAKUR, MS S KAKATI,MR. A DEKA

Advocate for the Respondent : SC, I O C,

**BEFORE
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE MANISH CHOUDHURY**

ORDER

20.03.2026

Heard Mr. S. Borthakur, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr. M. Sarma, learned Standing Counsel, IOCL for all the respondents.

2. The Indian Oil Corporation Limited [IOCL] publishing a Notice Inviting Tender on 01.03.2025 invited bids on-line in two-bid system for a contract-work, 'Bulk LPG Transportation Contract by Road for the State of Assam & Meghalaya'. Responding to the NIT, the petitioner submitted his bids offering two Tank Trucks [TTs] bearing Registration nos. – AS-01/GC-5518 and AS-01-GC/5519. One of the tender conditions was that the offered trucks must be registered in the name of the bidder and the Petroleum Explosives Safety Organization [PESO] license shall be in the name of the bidder on or before the bid closing date. The bid of the petitioner has been adjudged as non-responsive on the ground that the petitioner did not fulfill the said pre-qualification criteria in that PESO licenses were not in the name of the petitioner on the bid closing date for the offered two Tank Trucks [TTs].

3. Issue notice, returnable on 04.05.2026.

4. As Mr. Sarma, learned Standing Counsel, IOCL has appeared and accepted notices on behalf of all the respondents, issuance of formal notice to the respondents is dispensed with. Mr. Borthakur, learned counsel for the petitioner shall furnish requisite nos. of extra copies of the writ petition along with the annexures to Mr. Sarma within 2 [two] working days from today.

5. The respondent IOCL authorities shall file counter affidavit on or before the returnable date.

6. List the case on 04.05.2026.

JUDGE

Comparing Assistant