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

Case No. : WP(C)/1600/2026

SANKAR MADHAB KRISTI BIKASH KENDRA
A REGISTERED NGO HAVING ITS REGISTERED OFFICE AT MILANPUR,
NAGAON, ASSAM AND REPRESENTED BY ITS SECY. SRI SARANGA PANI
BORAH (AGE- 46 YEARS), S/O LATE LILLA KANTA BORAH, R/O
MILANPUR, P.O. NAGAON, P.S. SADAR, DIST. NAGAON, ASSAM.

VERSUS

THE STATE OF ASSAM AND 4 ORS
REPRESENTED BY THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO THE GOVT. OF ASSAM,
WOMEN AND CHILD WELFARE DEPARTMENT, DISPUR, GUWAHATI 781006

2:THE DIRECTOR
DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD WELFARE
GOVT. OF ASSAM
UZAN BAZAR
GUWAHATI-781001

3:THE DISTRICT SOCIAL WELFARE OFFICER
NAGAON
ASSAM

4:THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROJECT OFFICER
INTEGRATED CHILD DEVELOPMENT SERVICES PROJECT
PAKHIMURIA
DISTRICT- NAGAON
ASSAM

5:THE UNION OF INDIA
REPRESENTED BY ITS SECRETARY
MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
GOVT. OF INDIA
SHASTRI BHAWAN
NEW DELHI- 11000

Advocate for the Petitioner : MR. P K MEDHI, MS. P BORAH

Advocate for the Respondent : DY.S.G.I., GA, ASSAM

**BEFORE
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE MANISH CHOUDHURY**

ORDER

Date : 20.03.2026

Heard Ms. P. Borah, learned counsel for the petitioner; Mr. S.R. Baruah, learned Junior Government Advocate, Assam for the respondent nos. 1, 2, 3 & 4; and Mr. H. Gupta, learned Central Government Counsel [CGC] for the respondent no. 5.

The petitioner, an NGO, has averred that after being identified by the State Government for providing training to Anganwadi Workers/Helpers under the Scheme of Integrated Child Development Service, the petitioner ran training programmes during the years : 2017-2018, 2018-2019 & 2019-2020. After completion of the training programmes as per the guidelines, the petitioner submitted the expenses before the authorities in the form of bills from time to time. As on date, an amount of Rs. 1,82,09,220/- has remained outstanding to be paid. Seeking a direction to the respondent authorities to release the said amount, the petitioner has instituted the writ petition.

The learned counsel for the respondents have raised an issue of maintainability on the ground of delay.

Issue notice, returnable on 06.05.2026.

As Mr. Baruah has appeared and accepted notices on behalf of the respondent nos. 1, 2, 3 & 4; and Mr. Gupta has appeared and accepted notice on behalf of the respondent no. 5, issuance of formal notices in respect of the said respondents stand dispensed with. The learned counsel for the petitioner shall serve an extra copy of the writ petition along with annexures, to Mr. Baruah and Mr. Gupta within 2 [two] working days from today.

The issue raised on behalf of the respondents is kept open for consideration.

The respondents shall bring their stands with regard to the claim made by the petitioner in their counter affidavits, which are to be filed on or before the returnable date.

JUDGE

Comparing Assistant