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

**Case No. : WP(C)/2669/2022**

THE SONAPUR TEA CO. PVT. LTD.  
A COMPANY REGD. UNDER THE COMPANY ACT, 1956, REP. BY SRI  
SOURABH SARKAR, S/O. LT. K.P. SARKAR, R/O. SONAPUR TEA ESTATE,  
HAVING ITS REGD. OFFICE AT 61B, PARK STREET, FLAT NO.2B, NEELAM  
APARTMENT, KOLKATA, WEST BENGAL, PIN-700016 AND ITS LOCAL  
OFFICE AT SONAPUR TEA ESTATE, NATIONAL HIGHWAY-37, VILL.  
BARUAHBARI, P.O. SONAPUR, DIST. KAMRUP (M), PIN-782402, ASSAM.

VERSUS

THE STATE OF ASSAM AND 8 ORS.  
REP. BY THE DEPUTY SECRETARY, REVENUE AND D.M. (LR), DEPTT. OF  
LAND ACQUISITION BRANCH, GUWAHATI-06.

2:ASSAM POWER DISTRIBUTION CO. LTD. (APDCL)

REP. BY ITS MANAGING DIRECTOR  
BIJULEE BHAWAN  
PALTANBAZAR  
GUWAHATI-781001.

3:THE CHAIRMAN

ASSAM POWER DISTRIBUTION CO. LTD. (APDCL)  
BIJULEE BHAWAN  
PALTANBAZAR  
GUWAHATI-781001.

4:THE MANAGING DIRECTOR

ASSAM POWER DISTRIBUTION CO. LTD. (APDCL)  
BIJULEE BHAWAN

PALTANBAZAR  
GUWAHATI-781001.

5:THE CHIEF GENERAL MANAGER

GUWAHATI ZONE  
ASSAM POWER DISTRIBUTION CO. LTD. (APDCL)  
BIJULEE BHAWAN  
PALTANBAZAR  
GUWAHATI-781001.

6:GENERAL MANAGER

APDCL (LAR) SIX MILE  
GUWAHATI-22  
DIST. KAMRUP (M)  
ASSAM.

7:THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER CUM COLLECTOR

KAMRUP (M)  
GUWAHATI-781001.

8:THE LAND ACQUISITION OFFICER

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER  
KAMRUP (M)  
LAND ACQUISITION BRANCH  
GUWAHATI-781001.

9:THE CIRCLE OFFICER

SONAPUR REVENUE CIRCLE  
P.O. SONAPUR  
PIN-782402  
DIST. KAMRUP (M)  
ASSAM.

10:UNION OF INDIA

REPRESENTED BY MINISTRY OF DEFENCE  
NEW DELHI

**Advocate for the Petitioner** : MR S N SARMA SENIOR ADVOCATE, MS. K M  
TALUKDAR,MR. M KHATANIAR,MR. K KALITA,MR. M HUSSAIN,MS. C BASUMATARY

**Advocate for the Respondent** : GA, ASSAM, MRS. A GAYAN (C.G.C.),MRS. A GAYAN, SC,  
CGC,SC, APDCL,SC, REVENUE

**BEFORE  
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE KARDAK ETE**

**ORDER**

**Date : 05.05.2026**

Heard Mr. M. Khataniar, learned counsel for the petitioners. Also heard Mr. B. J. Talukdar, learned senior Advocate assisted by Mr. P. K. Medhi, learned counsel for respondent Nos. 7, 8 and 9, Mr. R. R. Gogoi, learned Standing counsel, APDCL for respondent Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, Ms. A. Gayan, learned CGC for respondent No.10 and Ms. P.R. Mahanta, learned Standing counsel, Revenue Department for respondent No.1.

After hearing the learned counsel for the parties, this Court is of the view that the affidavit-in-opposition of Union of India would be necessary for proper adjudication of the matter.

Accordingly, let this matter be listed after 3 (three) weeks as prayed for by Ms. A. Gayan, learned CGC for respondent No.10 so as to enable her to file the affidavit on behalf of the Union of India.

The matter is treated to be part-heard.

List accordingly after 3 (three) weeks.

**JUDGE**

**Comparing Assistant**