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

Case No. : PIL/24/2025

MAMREZ ALI
S/O HAJARAT ALI VILL- KURIHAMARI BHANGNAMARI, SIAALMARI
SUB - DISTRICT BARKHETRI, DIST. NALBARI, ASSAM, PIN-781126

VERSUS

1: THE STATE OF ASSAM AND 6 ORS. REPRESENTED BY THE CHIEF
SECRETARY, ASSAM SECRETARIAT, C BLOCK, 3RD FLOOR, DISPUR,
GUWAHATI, ASSAM, PIN-781006

2:THE SECRETAY DEPARTMENT OF EMPOWERMENT OF PERSONS WITH
DISABILITIES IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND
EMPOWERMENT GOVERNMENT OF INDIA 5TH FLOOR ANTYODAYA
BHAWAN CGO COMPLEX LODHI ROAD NEW DELHI-110003

3:THE COMMISSIONER AND SECRETARY TO THE GOVT. OF ASSAM
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT DISPUR
GUWAHATI ASSAM PIN-781006.

4:THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVT. OF ASSAM HOME AND POLITICAL
DEPARTMENT OF ASSAM OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER FOR PERSONS
WITH DISABILITIES ASSAM LATAKATA ROADBASISTHA GUWAHATI-
781029

5:THE COMMISSIONER GUWAHATI MUNICIPAL CORPORATION
DISPUR GUWAHATI-6 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS.

6:THE DISTRICT COMMISSIONER
KAMRUP METROPOLITAN DISTRICT GUWAHATI.

7:THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, GUWAHATI ASSAM

For the Petitioner(s) : Mrs. D. Ghosh, Advocate.
Mr. S.K. Chakma, Advocate.

For the Respondent(s) : Mrs. S. Sarma, Junior Govt. Advocate, Assam for respondent Nos.1, 2,
3, 4, 6 & 7.

- B E F O R E -
HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MR. ASHUTOSH KUMAR
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN DEV CHOUDHURY

06.08.2025

(Ashutosh Kumar, CJ)

Ms. S. Sarma, learned Junior Government Advocate, Assam submits that the instructions have been received by her on the basis of which she would be putting in her response by the next date.

It appears that this PIL has been filed by a person with locomotor disability, who has only sought Court's attention and perhaps intervention against the inaction of the State Government in not taking care of the specially abled persons from continuing with their studies in the University Campus.

The condition of the sidewalks of the roads leading to the campus and hostel has become hazardous for the specially abled persons.

The demand of the petitioner is that the sidewalks and roads within and around the University be repaired and tactile-paving should be provided for visually impaired persons. The area should be made free of parking and efforts should be made to remove the unauthorized street vendors by making the area a 'no vending zone'.

It has also been suggested that all physical obstructions on the road, like bamboo poles and unauthorized structures, ought to be removed from the pathways.

Ms. D. Ghosh, learned counsel for the petitioner has informed this Court that she had personally visited the area yesterday (05.08.2025) but had not found anything done on behalf of the State to remove the difficulties for such differently abled persons.

Ms. Sarma shall also indicate in the affidavit which she would file about the steps taken and the expected time within which such changes would be carried out, thereby redressing the grievances of the petitioner and other similarly situated specially abled persons.

Re-notify on **01.09.2025**.

JUDGE

CHIEF JUSTICE

Comparing Assistant