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

Case No. : WP(C)/3645/2026

RAFIQUL ISLAM
S/O JAFAR ALI, VILL.- RANGAGORA NO. 1, P.O. RANGAGORA NO. 2, P.S.
DHEKIAJULI, DIST- SONITPUR, ASSAM

VERSUS

THE STATE OF ASSAM AND 3 ORS
REPRESENTED BY THE COMMISSIONER AND SECRETARY TO THE GOVT.
OF ASSAM, DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS, ASSAM
SECRETARIAT, DISPUR, GUWAHATI-6.

2:THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER
SONITPUR WEST DIVISION
TEZPUR
DIST- SONITPUR
ASSAM
PIN -784001.

3:THE DHEKIAJULI MUNICIPAL BOARD
REPRESENTED BY ITS EXECUTIVE OFFICER
SWAHID NAGARI
DHEKIAJULI
P.O. DHEKIAJULI
DIST- SONITPUR
ASSAM
PIN- 784110.

4:THE RANGE FOREST OFFICER
DHEKIAJULI RANGE
DHEKIAJULI
P.O. DHEKIAJULI
DIST-SONITPUR

ASSAM
PIN- 784110

Advocate for the Petitioner : MR H R A CHOUDHURY, MR. A H M R CHOUDHURY,MRS H AHMED

Advocate for the Respondent : GA, ASSAM, SC, FOREST

Linked Case : WP(C)/3646/2026

SAJID SHEIKH
S/O ABDUL GAFUR SHEIKH
RESIDENT OF WARD NO. 1
DHEKIAJULI
P.O. AND P.S. DHEKIAJULI
DIST SONITPUR
ASSAM

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DISPUR
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DIST- SONITPUR
ASSAM
PIN- 784110

4:THE DHEKIAJULI MUNICIPAL BOARD
REPRESENTED BY ITS EXECUTIVE OFFICER
SWAHID NAGARI
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P.O. DHEKIAJULI
PIN 784110 DIST SONITPUR (ASSAM)

Advocate for : MR H R A CHOUDHURY
Advocate for : GA
ASSAM appearing for THE STATE OF ASSAM AND 3 ORS

Linked Case : WP(C)/3649/2026

ABDUL GAFUR SEKH
S/O LATE SUKUR ALI SEKH
RESIDENT OF WARD NO. 1
DHEKIAJULI
P.O. AND P.S. DHEKIAJULI
DIST-SONITPUR
ASSAM.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
ASSAM SECRETARIAT
DISPUR
GUWAHATI-6.

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SONITPUR WEST DIVISION
TEZPUR
DIST- SONITPUR
ASSAM

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DHEKIAJULI RANGE
DHEKIAJULI
P.O. DHEKIAJULI
DIST- SONITPUR
ASSAM
PIN -784110.

4:THE DHEKIAJULI MUNICIPAL BOARD
REPRESENTED BY ITS EXECUTIVE OFFICER
SWAHID NAGARI
DHEKIAJULI
P.O. DHEKIAJULI
PIN- 784110
DIST- SONITPUR
ASSAM

Advocate for : MR H R A CHOUDHURY
Advocate for : GA
ASSAM appearing for THE STATE OF ASSAM AND 3 ORS

Linked Case : WP(C)/3648/2026

M/S HUSSAIN FURNITURE
DHEKIAJULI
REPRESENTED BY THE PROPRIETOR NAMELY
SADDAM HUSSAIN
(AGE 34 YEARS) SON OF IKRAMUL HOQUE
RESIDENT OF WARD NO.6
DHEKIAJULI TOWN
P.O- DHEKIAJULI
P.S DHEKIAJULI
DISTRICT-SONITPUR
ASSAM
PIN- 784110

VERSUS

THE STATE OF ASSAM AND 9 ORS
REPRESENTED BY THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVT. OF ASSAM
DISPUR
GUWAHATI
ASSAM
PIN-781006

2:THE SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY
ENVIRONMENT
FOREST AND CLIMAT CHANGE DEPARTMENT
GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
DISPUR
GUWAHATI
ASSAM
PIN-781006

3:THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS AND HEAD OF
FOREST FORCE
ASSAM
ARANYA BHAWAN
PANJABARI
GUWAHATI- 781037

4:THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER
SONITPUR WEST DIVISION
P.O AND P.S TEZPUR
DISTRICT- SONITPUR
ASSAM
PIN- 784001

5:THE RANGE FOREST OFFICER
DHEKIAJULI RANGE
P.O- DHEKIAJULI
P.S DHEKIAJULI
DISTRICT- SONITPUR
ASSAM
PIN-784110

6:THE DISTRICT COMMISSIONER
SONITPUR
P.O AND P.S TEZPUR
DISTRICT SONITPUR
ASSAM
PIN-784001

7:THE SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE
SONITPUR
P.O AND P.S TEZPUR
DISTRICT-SONITPUR
ASSAM
PIN- 784001

8:THE CO-DISTRICT COMMISSIONER
DHEKIAJULI CO-DISTRICT
P.O DHEKIAJULI
P.S DHEKIAJULI
DISTRICT-SONITPUR
ASSAM
PIN-784110

9:THE DHEKIAJULI MUNICIPAL BOARD
REPRESENTED BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER
P.O- DHEKIAJULI

P.S DHEKIAJULI
DISTRICT- SONITPUR
ASSAM
PIN- 784110

10:THE OFFICER-IN-CHARGE
DHEKIAJULI POLICE STATION
P.O. DHEKIAJULI
P.S. DHEKIAJULI
DISTRICT-SONITPUR
ASSAM
PIN-784110

Advocate for : MR. A M AHMED
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ASSAM appearing for THE STATE OF ASSAM AND 9 ORS

BEFORE
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR MEDHI

ORDER

17.07.2026

Heard Shri HRA Choudhury, learned Senior Counsel as well as Shri A. M. Ahmed, learned counsel for the petitioners, who are aggrieved by amongst others an action of sealing of showroom/manufacturing unit/godown which are connected with timber business. It is contended that the petitioners have trade licence and are following all the requirements of law. It is the specific contention that such sealing has been done without any prior notice.

Shri D. Gogoi, learned Standing Counsel, Forest Department has however submitted that as per online instructions, prior notices were issued from time to time directing the units to register themselves which has not been done.

Shri Gogoi, learned counsel is directed to obtain specific instructions in this regard.

List these matters for **motion** on **21.07.2026**.

To facilitate, Shri Gogoi, the learned Standing Counsel to obtain the instructions, let extra copies including in the soft format be served upon him during the course of the day.

JUDGE

Comparing Assistant