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

Case No. : PIL/58/2025

STUDIO NILIMA- COLLABORATIVE NETWORK FOR RESEARCH AND
CAPACITY BUILDING AND ANR
A REGISTERED SOCIETY UNDER SOCIETIES REGISTRATION ACT, 1960
BEING A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION WITH ITS REGISTERED OFFICE AT
1A, DAMAYANTI MANSION, DIGHALIPUKHURI EAST, GUWAHATI, ASSAM-
781001, REPRESENTED BY ITS CO-FOUNDER AND DIRECTOR, MS.
ABANTEE DUTTA, DAUGHTER OF LATE SHRI NILAYANANDA DUTTA,
RESIDENT OF 3 C, DAMAYANTI MANSION, DIGHALIPUKHURI EAST,
GUWAHATI, ASSAM-781001

2: MS ABANTEE DUTTA
CO-FOUNDER AND DIRECTOR
DAUGHTER OF LATE SHRI NILAYANANDA DUTTA
RESIDENT OF 3 C
DAMAYANTI MANSION
DIGHALIPUKHURI EAST
GUWAHATI
ASSAM-78100

VERSUS

THE STATE OF ASSAM AND 5 ORS.
REPRESENTED BY THE CHIEF SECRETARY, GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM,
ASSAM SECRETARIAT, DISPUR, GUWAHATI, ASSAM- 781006.

2:THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
HOME AND POLITICAL DEPARTMENT
ASSAM SECRETARIAT
DISPUR
GUWAHATI
ASSAM- 781006

3:THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
HOME (B) DEPARTMENT

ASSAM SECRETARIAT
DISPUR
GUWAHATI
ASSAM- 781006.

4:THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF PRISONS
ASSAM
ASSAM PRISON HEADQUARTERS
KHANAPARA
GUWAHATI
ASSAM- 781022.

5:THE ASSAM STATE LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY
REPRESENTED BY ITS MEMBER SECRETARY
GAUHATI HIGH COURT
GUWAHATI
ASSAM - 781001.

6:THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
REPRESENTED BY THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVT. OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
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For respondent No.5
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Respondent No.6

– B E F O R E –

HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MR. ASHUTOSH KUMAR

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN DEV CHOUDHURY

04-02-2026

(Ashutosh Kumar, C.J.)

Ms. P. Chakraborty, learned Advocate, who has only recently been given the responsibility to argue the case on behalf of the Assam State Legal Services Authority/respondent No.5, seeks some more time to file a composite affidavit as directed by this Court on 26.11.2025.

Let such an affidavit be filed positively by the next date.

Re-notify on **01.04.2026**.

JUDGE

CHIEF JUSTICE

Comparing Assistant