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

Case No. : WP(C)/7/2026

MATLAB DHALI @ MATLAB ALI
S/O LATE MANTAZ UDDIN ALI, R/O VILL RANGALOO, BARDALANG, P.O-
JAKHALABANDHA, P.S- JAKALABANDHA, PIN- 782136, DISTRICT-
NAGAON, ASSAM

VERSUS

THE STATE OF ASSAM AND 5 ORS.
REPRESENTED BY THE COMMISSIONER AND SECRETARY, GOVT. OF
ASSAM, HOME DEPT., DISPUR, GUWAHATI- 6

2:THE DISTRICT COMMISSIONER
NAGAON
DIST- NAGAON
ASSAM
PIN- 782001

3:THE SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE
NAGAON
DIST- NAGAON
ASSAM
PIN- 782001

4:THE ELECTORATE REGISTRATION OFFICER
NAGAON
DIST- NAGAON
ASSAM
PIN- 782001

5:THE UNION OF INDIA
REPRESENTED BY THE SECRETARY
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

NEW DELHI-1

6:THE STATE CO-ORDINATOR OF NRC
P.O AND P.S- BHANGAGARH
DISTRICT- KAMRUP (M)
GUWAHATI- 781005
ASSA

Advocate for the Petitioner : MS. G BORAH, MS. M DEKA

Advocate for the Respondent : GA, ASSAM, SC, F.T,SC, ECI,SC, NRC,DY.S.G.I.

BEFORE
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE KALYAN RAI SURANA
HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE SUSMITA PHUKAN KHAUND

ORDER

Date : 24.03.2026
(K.R. Surana, J)

Heard Ms. C. Reech, learned counsel appearing on behalf of Ms. G. Borah, learned counsel for the petitioner. Also heard Mr. A.K. Dutta, learned CGC; Mr. J. Payeng, learned standing counsel for the FT and Border matters; Ms. M. Singha, learned counsel appearing on behalf of Ms. S. Katakey, learned standing counsel for the ECI; and Mr. P. Sarmah, learned Govt. Advocate for the State respondent are present.

2. By filing this writ petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, the petitioner is seeking direction upon the respondent authorities including the learned Foreigners Tribunal No.2, Nagoan, and the Superintendent of Police (Border), Nagaon to trace out and re-construct the records of the F.T.

Case No. 34/2009, arising out of S.P. Case No. 302/2005 instituted against the petitioner, namely, Matlab Dhali @ Matlab Ali, S/o. Mantaz Uddin Ali, village-Rangaloo, Bardalang, P.O. and P.S. Jakhalabandha, district- Nagaon.

3. In this writ petition, it is projected that the petitioner wanted to assail the *ex parte* opinion dated 11.03.2006, passed in F.T. Case No. 34/2009, but as the records are stated to be lost, he could not collect any copies so as to effectively challenge the said opinion. It is also submitted that in the meantime, the petitioner Matlab Dhali @ Matlab Ali has expired. The learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that she has not been provided with the death certificate.

4. By order dated 07.01.2026, the learned standing counsel for the FT and Border matters was requested to obtain instruction. Thereafter, the matter was listed on several occasions, but the information could not be received.

5. The learned standing counsel for the FT and Border matters has submitted that he has received instruction that at one point of time, the premises from where the Foreigners Tribunal No.2, Nagaon was functioning, was inundated by flood and therefore, the records could not be traced out.

6. Accordingly, the Court is inclined to issue notice returnable on 22.04.2026.

7. As the learned standing counsel for the FT and Border matters has been provided with soft copy of the writ petition, we request him to transmit the same to the respondents.

8. List on 22.04.2026.

JUDGE

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Comparing Assistant