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

**Case No. : PIL/76/2018**

EARLY BIRDS AND ANR.

(A REGISTERED SOCIETY AND A NATURE CARE GROUP, REP. BY ITS  
PRESIDENT MR. MOLOY BARUA SON OF LATE ASWINI KANTA BARUA),  
HAVING ITS REGISTERED OFFICE AT 26, SURAJMUKHI, CHANDMARI P.O.  
SILPUKHURI, GUWAHATI, ASSAM, IN THE DISTRICT OF KAMRUP, ASSAM,  
PIN - 781003.

2: MR RANJAN BHUYAN  
S/O LATE KAMALA KANTA BHUYAN  
R/O HOUSE NO. 5A  
OPPOSITE - LUIT REGENCY APARTMENTS BASISTHAPUR BYLANE NO. 2  
WIRELESS  
DISPUR  
GUWAHATI IN THE DIST. OF KAMRUP (M)  
ASSAM  
PIN - 781028

VERSUS

THE STATE OF ASSAM AND 14 ORS.  
THROUGH ITS CHIEF SECRETARY, GOVT. OF ASSAM, DISPUR, GUWAHATI,  
IN THE DIST. OF KAMRUP (METRO), PIN- 781006

2:THE COMMISSIONER AND SECRETARY TO THE GOVT. OF ASSAM

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND FOREST  
DISPUR  
GUWAHATI  
IN THE DIST.OF KAMRUP (METRO)  
PIN - 781006.

3:THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FOREST  
(FOREST) AND HEAD OF THE FOREST FORCE  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND FOREST

GOVT. OF ASSAM

PANJABARI  
GUWAHATI  
IN THE DIST. OF KAMRUP (M)  
PIN - 781037.

4:THE COMMISSIONER AND SECRETARY

DEPARTMENT OF WIRE OF PLAIN TRIBES AND BACKWARD CLASSES  
GOVT. OF ASSAM  
DISPUR  
GUWAHATI  
PIN - 781006.

5:THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FOREST (WILDLIFE)

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND FOREST  
GOVT. OF ASSAM

PANJABARI  
GUWAHATI  
IN THE DIST. OF KAMRUP (METRO)  
PIN - 781037.

6:THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER

SONITPUR WEST DIVISION

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND FOREST  
GOVT. OF ASSAM

TEZPUR  
IN THE DIST. OF SONITPUR  
PIN - 784001.

7:THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER

SONITPUR EAST DIVISION  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND FOREST  
GOVT. OF ASSAM  
IN THE DIST. OF BISWANATH  
PIN -784176

8:THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER

WESTERN ASSAM WILDLIFE DIVISION  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND FOREST

GOVT. OF ASSAM  
IN THE DIST. OF SONITPUR  
PIN - 784501.

9:THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER

DHANSARI FOREST DIVISION

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND FOREST  
GOVT. OF ASSAM  
IN THE DIST. OF UDALGURI (BTAD)  
PIN - 784509.

10:THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER BISWANATH

GOVT. OF ASSAM  
IN THE DIST. OF BISWANATH  
PIN 784176.

11:THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER SONITPUR

GOVT. OF ASSAM  
IN THE DIST. OF SONITPUR  
PIN- 784001.

12:THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER UDALGURI

GOVT. OF ASSAM  
IN THE DIST. OF UDALGURI  
PIN - 784509.

13:THE BODOLAND TERRITORIA COUNCIL

REP. BY ITS SECRETARY  
BODOLAND TERRITORIAL AREA DISTRICT  
IN THE DIST. OF KOKRAJHAR  
PIN - 783370.

14:THE UNION OF INDIA

THROUGH ITS SECRETARY

MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE  
NEW DELHI- 110003.

15:NATIONAL TIGER CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

THROUGH ITS MEMBER SECRETARY

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For petitioner/appellant(s) : Mr. P. Bhardwaj, Advocate

For respondent(s) :

– BEFORE –  
**HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MR. ASHUTOSH KUMAR**  
**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN DEV CHOUDHURY**

**22.09.2025**

*(Ashutosh Kumar, CJ)*

As prayed for on behalf of the petitioners, for replying to the counter affidavit filed on behalf of the respondents, the matter is adjourned to **17.11.2025.**

**JUDGE**

**CHIEF JUSTICE**

**Comparing Assistant**