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

Case No. : PIL/76/2018

1.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

1.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 B-1 WING 7TH FLOOR
PARYAVARAN BHAWAN CGO COMPLEX NEW DELHI- 11000

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For the Respondent(s) :

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HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MR. ASHUTOSH KUMAR

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN DEV CHOUDHURY

29.01.2026

(Ashutosh Kumar, CJ)

An adjournment slip has been circulated by the counsel for the petitioners with the consent of the other side.

Re-notify on **24.03.2026**.

JUDGE

CHIEF JUSTICE

Comparing Assistant