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

**Case No. : WP(C)/7246/2025**

SHANTINATH DETERGENTS PVT. LTD.,  
(ERSTWHILE SAMBHAV DETERGENT PVT. LTD.) HAVING ITS REGISTERED  
OFFICE AT 17, CROOKED LANE, KOLKATA- 700069, WEST BENGAL AND  
FACTORY AT PLOT NO 60E, BRAHMAPUTRA INDUSTRIAL PARK, MOUZA  
SILA SINDURI GHOPA, NORTH GUWAHATI- 781031, DISTRICT- KAMRUP,  
ASSAM, REPRESENTED BY ITS AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE AND  
SIGNATORY SRI NALIN JAIN, RESIDENT OF S.R.C.B. ROAD, P.O.  
PANBAZAR, GUWAHATI-781001, DIST. KAMRUP METRO, ASSAM

VERSUS

THE UNION OF INDIA AND 3 ORS  
REPRESENTED BY THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVT. OF INDIA, MINISTRY  
OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY, DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL POLICY  
AND PROMOTION, UDYOG BHAWAN, NEW DELHI -110011.

2:THE STATE OF ASSAM  
REPRESENTED BY THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVT. OF ASSAM  
DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE  
DISPUR  
GUWAHATI- 781006  
ASSAM

3:THE COMMISSIONER OF INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE ASSAM  
INDUSTRIAL ESTATE  
BAMUNIMAIDAM  
GUWAHATI- 781021  
ASSAM

4:THE GENERAL MANAGER  
DISTRICT INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE CENTRE  
KAMRUP

MIRZA- 781125  
ASSA

**For the petitioner (s) : Dr. B. P. Todi, Advocate**

For the respondent (s) : Mr. A. K. Dutta, Advocate  
Mr. B. Gogoi, Advocate

BEFORE  
**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEVASHIS BARUAH**  
O R D E R

17.12.2025

Issue notice making it returnable on 09.02.2026.

2. Mr. A. K. Dutta, the learned counsel accepts notice on behalf of the respondent No.1. Mr. B. Gogoi, the learned counsel accepts notice on behalf of the respondent Nos.2 to 4. Extra copies of the writ petition be furnished upon them by 18.12.2025.

2. The case of the petitioner herein is that the petitioner in pursuance to the Freight Subsidy Scheme, 2013 had applied for the benefits for the period from 01.07.2019 to 30.09.2019 which is to the tune of Rs.6,31,540/-.

3. It is the further case of the petitioner that the petitioner submitted the application in respect to the said period on 29.09.2020 and thereupon kept on enquiring with the respondent officials as regards the claim. However, nothing has been informed to the petitioner except the petitioner could come to learn from certain

reliable sources that in the 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the State Level Committee held on 27.02.2024, the claim of the petitioner was rejected on the recommendation of the General Manager, District Industries and Commerce Centre, Kamrup on the ground of shortfall of documents which was never intimated to the erstwhile company of the petitioner. It is under such circumstances, the petitioner has therefore approached this Court.

4. Mr. B. Gogoi, the learned counsel appearing on behalf of the respondent Nos.2 to 4 submitted that the very perusal of the writ petition and more particularly the relief sought for would show that the petitioner has not challenged the decision taken in the State Level Committee of Freight Subsidy Scheme, 2013 in the 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting held on 27.02.2024. He, therefore, submitted that without a challenge to the said decision, the instant writ petition is not maintainable.

5. Keeping the point of maintainability open, this Court directs the Respondent Authorities to bring on record the stand by filing the affidavit on or before 02.02.2026.

6. List accordingly.

**JUDGE**

**Comparing Assistant**