



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

Case No. : WA/7/2023

PEOPLE FOR ANIMALS AND ANR
THROUGH ITS CHAIRPERSON (TRUSTEE) NAMELY MS. MANEKA SANJAY
GANDHI, HAVING ITS OFFICE AT A-4, MAHARANI BAGH, NEW DELHI-110065
2: HUMANE SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL/ INDIA
THROUGH ITS MANAGING DIRECTOR MS. ALOKPARNA SENGUPTA
HAVING ITS REGISTERED OFFICE AT SHOP NO. 39
SHREEJI SHOPPING ARCADE
SETH GOPALJI
HEMRAJ SINGH COMPOUND
M.G.ROAD
BORIVALI (E)
MUMBAI-40006

VERSUS

NEIZEVOLIE KUOTSU ALIAS TONI KUOTSU AND 7 ORS
S/O KEVILAZO KUOTSO, R/O H.NO. 097, MIDDLE MIDLANE, KOHIMA
NAGALAND 2:ABEI ZATSU
RESIDENT OF LATE NEKUOSA ZATSU
RESIDENT OF T KHEL
KOHIMA VILLAGE
KOHIMA NAGALAND

3:KETOUNYUU
D/O LT. RUBEIHIE
R/O D. KHEL
KOHIMA VILLAGE
KOHIMA NAGALAND

4:THE STATE OF NAGALAND
REPRESENTED BY THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVT. OF NAGALAND
KOHIMA

5:THE COMMISSIONER OF FOOD SAFETY

DEPT. OF FAMILY HEALTH AND WELFARE
GOVT. OF NAGALAND
NAGALAND CIVIL SECRETARIAT
KOHIMA NAGALAND

6:THE KOHIMA MUNICIPAL COUNCIL (KMC)
REPRESENTED BY ITS ADMINISTRATOR
GOVT. OF NAGALAND
KOHIMA NAGALAND

7:FOOD SAFETY AND STANDARDS AUTHORITY OF INDIA (FSSAI)
UNDER MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
THROUGH ITS CHAIRPERSON
FDA BHAWAN
KOTLA ROAD
NEW DELHI-110002

8:THE UNION OF INDIA
REPRESENTED BY THE SECRETARY
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
GOVT. OF INDIA
ROOM NO. 348
A WING
NIRMAN BHAWAN
NEW DELHI-11001

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(R/ 1-3)

Linked Case : WA/12/2024

AKHIL BHARAT KRUSHI GO SEVA SANGH
A REGISTERED CHARITABLE TRUST
DULY REPRESENTED BY ITS MEMBER
SHRI HIREN D SHAH
AGED ABOUT 54
S/O SHRI DINESH CHANDRA SHAH
HAVING ITS REGISTRATION OFFICE
GOPURI WARDHA TAL.- WARDHA MAHARASHTRA-441001 AND ALSO AT 101
SUNDER DHAM CO. OP. HSG. SOCIETY
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KUOTSU AND 9 ORS

BEFORE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ROBIN PHUKAN
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE BUDI HABUNG

ORDER

Date : 22.01.2026
(R. Phukan, J)

Heard Ms. Pinky Anand, learned Senior Counsel, assisted by Ms. Saudamini Sharma, learned counsel; Mr. Samrat Pasricha, learned counsel; Ms. Esha Dutta, learned counsel; Mr. Siddharth Pandey, learned counsel; Ms. Shaalini Agarwal, learned counsel; Mr. Pfosekho Pfotte, learned counsel; Mr. Medo Vero, learned counsel; Ms. Chanya Jaitly, learned counsel and Mr. Chubanungkum, learned counsel for the appellant No. 1 in WA No. 7/2023 and respondent

No. 9 in WA No. 12/2024. Also heard Ms. Shreya Paropkari, learned counsel for the appellant No. 2 in WA No. 7/2023 and respondent No. 10 in WA No. 12/2024; Mr. Manish Singhvi, learned Senior Counsel, assisted by Ms. Siddh Vidya, learned counsel for the appellant in WA No. 12/2024; Mr. L. Iralu, learned counsel for the respondent Nos. 1, 2 and 3 in WA No. 7/2023; Mr. Alezo Kire, learned counsel for the respondent Nos. 1, 2 and 3 in WA No. 12/2024; Ms. V. Suokhrie, learned Addl. Advocate General for the respondent Nos. 4 and 5 and Ms. Catherine Anichar, learned counsel for the respondent No. 6.

Arguments concluded.

Judgment reserved.

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