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

**Case No. : WP(C)/15/2026**

Riya Papu and 3 Ors  
Son of Riya Kame, Village Nyolo, PO and PS Koloriang, Kurung Kumey District,  
Arunachal Pradesh.

2: Nabam Naga  
Age:  
Occupation :  
Son of Takang  
Village Sagalee  
PO and PS Sagalee  
Papum Pare District  
Arunachal Pradesh.

3: Ability Beyond Limits and Expectation  
Age:  
Occupation :  
represented by Shri Takhe Donyi  
HQ Jollang  
Itanagar  
registered No. Book IV No. 146/ 2023  
Papum Pare District  
Arunachal Pradesh.

4: All Arunachal Pradesh Divyangjan Welfare Society  
Age:  
Occupation :  
represented by Shri Godak Tajik  
HQ Capital Complex  
registered No. SR/ ITA/ 5507  
Papum Pare District  
Arunachal Pradesh

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The State of AP and 8 Ors  
represented by the Chief Secretary.

2:The Secretary

Age: 0

Occupation :

Arunachal Pradesh Public Service Commission

Itanagar

Papum Pare District

Arunachal Pradesh.

3:The Chairman

Age: 0

Occupation :

Arunachal Pradesh Public Service Commission

Itanagar

Papum Pare District

Arunachal Pradesh.

4:The Secretary

Age: 0

Occupation :

Social Justice

Empowerment and Tribal Affairs Department

Govt of Arunachal Pradesh

Itanagar

Papum Pare District

Arunachal Pradesh.

5:The State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities

Age: 0

Occupation :

Govt of Arunachal Pradesh

Itanagar

Papum Pare District

Arunachal Pradesh.

6:The Commissioner

Age: 0

Occupation :

PWD

Govt of Arunachal Pradesh

Itanagar

Papum Pare District

Arunachal Pradesh.

7:The Commissioner

Age: 0  
Occupation :  
RWD  
Govt of Arunachal Pradesh  
Itanagar  
Papum Pare District  
Arunachal Pradesh.

8:The Commissioner  
Age: 0  
Occupation :  
PHE and WS  
Govt of Arunachal Pradesh  
Itanagar  
Papum Pare District  
Arunachal Pradesh.

9:The Commissioner  
Age: 0  
Occupation :  
Department of Power  
Govt of Arunachal Pradesh  
Itanagar  
Papum Pare District  
Arunachal Pradesh

**Advocate for the Petitioner** : Kago Taja, Nabam Talin,K Tagyang,Kirmar Ado

**Advocate for the Respondent** : GA (AP), SC(Power),SC(RWD),S/C APPSC,Lissing Perme,Gimi Tarak,Ajin Apang, Sr. Advocate

**BEFORE**  
**HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE MARLI VANKUNG**

**ORDER**

**Date : 21.01.2026**

Heard Mr. K. Taja, learned counsel for the petitioner, who has filed the instant writ petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, assailing the advertisement issued by the Arunachal Pradesh Public Service Commission (APPSC) dated 17.09.2025 for conducting the Junior Engineer (JE) Common

Recruitment Examination, 2025, for filling up 413 posts across various departments.

The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that in the said advertisement, the reservation for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) is not in conformity with the notification issued by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment dated 04.01.2021, and is also not in conformity with the provisions of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016. Therefore, he prays that the impugned notification may be stayed insofar as with regard to the reservation made for PwBD candidates in the said advertisement.

On hearing the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, this Court finds it appropriate to issue notice of motion to the respondents.

Mr. N. Ratan, learned Additional Advocate General, accepts notice on behalf of respondent Nos. 1 and 4 to 8; Mr. K. Mena, learned counsel, accepts notice on behalf of respondent Nos. 2 and 3; Mr. G. Tarak, learned Standing Counsel, accepts notice on behalf of respondent No. 7; and Mr. K. Dubey, learned counsel, accepts notice on behalf of respondent No. 9. In view of the above, there is no need to issue formal notice. However, requisite extra copies shall be duly furnished to the learned counsel appearing for the respondents.

On the prayer made by the learned counsel for the petitioners seeking stay of the further process pursuant to the impugned advertisement dated 17.09.2025, insofar with regard to the reservation made for PwBD candidates, this Court finds that it may be premature at this stage to stay the recruitment process, as the issue pertains only to the quota prescribed for reservation of PwBD candidates. Accordingly, the prayer for interim relief at this stage stands

rejected.

List after three (3) weeks.

**JUDGE**

**Comparing Assistant**