

GAHC040011572024



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

Case No. : IA(C)/155/2024

Tani Loffa
Son of Late Tokbing Loffa, resident of Village Loffa, PO Seppa, PS Seppa, East
Kameng District, Arunachal Pradesh 790102

VERSUS

Mama Natung
Son of Late Tafa Natung, resident of Village Lumdung, PO Seppa, PS Seppa, East
Kameng District, Arunachal Pradesh.

Advocate for the Petitioner : Parswajyoti Das Nair,

Advocate for the Respondent : ,

Linked Case : Election Pet./9/2024

Tani Loffa
Age: 53
Occupation :
Address: Son of Late Tokbing Loffa
resident of Village Loffa
PO Seppa
PS Seppa
East Kameng District
Arunachal Pradesh 790102

VERSUS

Mama Natung

Age: 52
Occupation :
Address: Son of Late Tafa Natung
resident of Village Lumdung
PO Seppa
PS Seppa
East Kameng District
Arunachal Pradesh

Advocate for : Parswajyoti Das Nair
Advocate for : appearing for Mama Natung: Advocate appearing for respectively.

**BEFORE
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE N. UNNI KRISHNAN NAIR**

ORDER

Date : Issue notice, returnable on **30.09.2024**.

The petitioner to take steps for service of notice upon the sole respondent by registered post with A/D.

The petitioner in the present proceeding, inter alia, has prayed for a direction upon the Election Authorities including the Election Commission of India, The Chief Electoral Officer, Arunachal Pradesh, The District Election Officer, East, Kameng District, the Returning Officer, 11-Seppa West (ST) Assembly Constituency to preserve the records of the election held in the year 2024 pertaining to 5-Kafla Polling Station, 7-Silla Polling Station, 17-Watte Polling Station, 24- Nepuwa Polling Station, 25- Lumdung Polling Station, 26-Pipokoro Polling Station, 28- Ningcho Poling Station and 29- Seba Polling Station of 11-Seppa West (ST) Assembly Constituency including the (i) electoral rolls (ii) original marked copies of the electoral rolls used for marking the names of the electors allowed to vote at the time of poling, (iii) Register of Voters in Form 17A containing the serial number of the voter and the signature or thumb impression of each elector allowed to vote, (iv) Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trails (VVPATs) of the Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs), (v) video footages of the Polling, including the video footages of the polling booths and of the Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs) of the said polling stations till the disposal of the present Election Petition.

Having considered the submission made by the learned counsel for the applicant and on perusal of the contention so raised in the Interlocutory Application, this Court hereby directs the Election Authorities to preserve the records of the election held in the year 2024 pertaining to 7-Silla Polling

Station, 17-Watte Polling Station, 24- Nepuwa Polling Station, 25- Lumdung Polling Station, 26- Pipokoro Polling Station, 28- Ningcho Poling Station and 29- Seba Polling Station of 11-Seppa West (ST) Assembly Constituency including the (i) electoral rolls (ii) original marked copies of the electoral rolls used for marking the names of the electors allowed to vote at the time of poling, (iii) Register of Voters in Form 17A containing the serial number of the voter and the signature or thumb impression of each elector allowed to vote, (iv) Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trails (VVPATs) of the Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs), (v) video footages of the Polling, including the video footages of the polling booths and of the Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs) of the said polling stations until further orders of this Court in the present proceedings.

The other prayers so made in the I.A. application shall be so considered on the next returnable date i.e. on 30.09.2024.

List it accordingly on 30th of September, 2024, along with the connected Election Petition and interlocutory application.

JUDGE

Comparing Assistant