

IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD**R/WRIT PETITION (PIL) (WRIT PETITION (PIL)) NO. 5 of 2025****SUO MOTU****Versus****STATE OF GUJARAT & ORS.****Appearance:****MR. GAUTAM JOSHI, SR. ADV. WITH MR HAMESH C NAIDU(5335) for the Applicant(s) No. 1****MR. G.H. VIRK, GOVERNMENT PLEADER WITH MS. HETAL PATEL, AGP for the Opponent(s) No. 1,2****KSHITIJ M AMIN(7572) for the Opponent(s) No. 3****CORAM: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MRS. JUSTICE SUNITA AGARWAL****and****HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PRANAV TRIVEDI****Date : 29/01/2025****ORAL ORDER****(PER : HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MRS. JUSTICE SUNITA AGARWAL)**

In view of the order dated 11.12.2024 passed by the Apex Court, the present PIL has been registered as a suo-motu petition in order to see that Ramsar sites within the jurisdiction of this Court are properly maintained.

Mr. Gautam Joshi, learned senior counsel is assisted by Mr. Hamesh C. Naidu, learned advocate appearing for the High Court.

Mr. Joshi would submit that apart from the 4 Wetlands mentioned in the order of the Apex Court, there is one more Wetland which is named as Nadabet- Kachchh District towards Pakistan border, as per the National Wetlands Atlas-

Gujarat prepared by Ministry of Environment and Forest, Government of India.

Mr. Joshi volunteers to visit these Wetlands in order to have a first hand experience of the manner in which they are being maintained.

As prayed by Mr. Joshi, the matter is posted on 12.3.2025 to submit his report.

(SUNITA AGARWAL, CJ)

(PRANAV TRIVEDI,J)

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