

IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD**R/SPECIAL CIVIL APPLICATION NO. 12123 of 2021**

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LAVAN SALT PVT LTD

Versus

STATE OF GUJARAT

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Appearance:

MR MEHUL SHARAD SHAH(773) for the Petitioner(s) No. 1

for the Respondent(s) No. 2

MR UTKARSH SHARMA ASSISTANT GOVERNMENT PLEADER/PP(99) for the
Respondent(s) No. 1

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CORAM:HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE NIKHIL S. KARIEL

Date : 07/09/2021

ORAL ORDER

Heard learned Advocate Shri Mehul Sharad Shah on behalf of the petitioner and learned Assistant Government Pleader Shri Utkarsh Sharma on behalf of the respondent authorities.

The petitioner challenges an order dated 13.05.2021 passed by respondent no.1 -Department whereby application for the petitioner which was considered as per the directions/observations of this Court vide order dated 20.01.2020 in Special Civil Application No. 1126 of 2020 has been rejected inter alia on the ground that the grant of land could not be permitted since it was in close proximity to the international boarder.

Learned Advocate Shri Shah submits that all other concerned authorities / departments have given their no objection to the petitioner for

grant of the land and whereas the lands have been granted to other salt manufacturers in the near vicinity and therefore there was no reason for respondent no.1 to have rejected the application more particularly on a ground which respondent no.1 may not be entitled to take.

Having regard to the same, issue **Notice** to the respondents returnable on 05.10.2021. Learned AGP Shri Utkarsh Sharma waives service of notice on behalf of respondent no.1- State. Needless to say in view of the objection raised in the impugned order till the petition is decided the authority would not grant the land in favour of other person.

Direct service for rest of the respondents is permitted.

(NIKHIL S. KARIEL,J)

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