



HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT ALLAHABAD

PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATION (PIL) No. - 3117 of 2025

Citizen Forum Maharajganj and another

.....Petitioner(s)

Versus

The Union of India and 5 others

.....Respondent(s)

Counsel for Petitioner(s)	: Suresh Chandra Dwivedi, Ashutosh Dwivedi, Vinay Kumar
Counsel for Respondent(s)	: A.S.G.I., Seema Agarwal (S.C.), Vivek Kumar Singh, Pranjal Mehrotra

Chief Justice's Court

**HON'BLE ARUN BHANSALI, CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE KSHITIJ SHAILENDRA, J.**

1. While on 01.12.2025, in the instructions produced on behalf of the National Highways Authority of India ('NHAI'), it was indicated that the subject road stretch had been constructed and completed by the National Highway Division, Public Works Department, Gorakhpur and for the reliefs claimed in the petition, only the Public Works Department is answerable, now instructions have been produced by the Public Works Department, *inter alia* claiming that the Toll Plaza is being operated by the NHAI and therefore, the requisite facilities are also required to be provided by the NHAI.
2. Counsel for the NHAI is not present.
3. A copy of the instructions on behalf of respondent no.6 be supplied to counsel for NHAI, who would seek specific instructions on the responsibility to maintain the road in question and provide for the requisite facilities, by the next date.
4. List on 09.04.2026, as fresh.

Shailendra, J) (Arun Bhansali, CJ)

February 24, 2026

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