

**IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA**  
[ CIRCUIT BENCH AT PORT BLAIR ]

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**WP.CT/15/2026**

The Union of India and others

Vs.

Dr. Alex Mathew and another

Mr. Rakesh Kumar ... for the petitioners

Ms. K. Bhawani ... for the respondents

April 13, 2026  
[SR]  
*Item No.11*

1. Learned counsel appearing for the respondents submits that the affidavit-in-opposition has been filed only today. A copy thereof has been furnished to learned counsel for the Union of India/petitioners.

2. We grant time to the petitioners to file affidavit-in-reply, if any, by April 17, 2026. Let the matter be listed next on April 20, 2026.

**( Sabyasachi Bhattacharyya, J. )**

**( Smita Das De, J. )**