

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

WPA(P)/11/2024

Shri Indra Pal Singh

Vs.

The Union of India and Others

Mr. Mohammed Tabraiz	... for the petitioner
Mr. V.D.Sivabalan	... for the UOI
Mr. Rakesh Kumar	... for the Administration
Mr. Arul Prasanth	... for the NTPC

February 05, 2026

[SR]

Item No.18

Report in the form of an affidavit affirmed on February 03, 2026 filed on behalf of the Andaman and Nicobar Administration in Court today, be kept with the records. Copies of the report have been circulated amongst learned advocates representing the other parties.

Mr. Mohammed Tabraiz, learned counsel appearing for the writ petitioner says that, if the affidavit dated September 03, 2025 and the affidavit filed today are compared, it will appear that though there may have been some improvement in the power situation, it is not, as was projected, in the September 03, 2025 affidavit. Summer is approaching. Demands of power are again likely to go up. He says that his client would like to file exception to the affidavit filed today. Such exception in the form of affidavit be filed within ten days from date. Let copies of the affidavit be circulated to learned counsel representing other parties.

We only wish to put on record that this is a public interest litigation and not an adversary litigation. A consorted

effort is to be made to improve the power situation in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands for the benefit of all Islanders and others concerned.

The Administration shall file a further report in the form of affidavit on the next date indicating why the time line projected in the affidavit in September 03, 2025 could not be adhered to.

List the matter appear before the next available Circuit Bench on February 18, 2026, subject to its convenience.

(Arijit Banerjee, J.)

(Apurba Sinha Ray, J.)