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Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (C) No(s).16227/2026

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 20-01-2026 in MACAPP No. 223/2020 passed by the Gauhati High Court]

THE ORIENTAL INSURANCE COMPANY LTD

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

BHANITA RABHA & ORS.

Respondent(s)

FOR ADMISSION

Date : 12-05-2026 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KAROL
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NONGMEIKAPAM KOTISWAR SINGH

For Petitioner(s) : Mr. Arvind Gupta, AOR
Mr. Kanav Bhardwaj, Adv.
Mr. Sudhir Kumar, Adv.
Mrs. Suman Sharma, Adv.

For Respondent(s) :

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

1. Petitioner lays challenge to the judgment and order dated 20-01-2026 in MACAPP No.223/2020 titled "*Oriental Insurance Company Limited Vs. Bhanita Rabha & Ors.*" passed by the Gauhati High Court.
2. Petitioner undertakes to pay the amount to the claimants within a period of four weeks from today, if already not paid. We clarify that even if the amount has been deposited before courtsbelow, the same shall be released in favour of the claimants.
3. On merits, insofar as adjudication of compensation is concerned, we are not inclined to interfere with the impugned judgment and order passed by the High Court. For the purpose of

examining the question of law, we issue notice to the owner and driver of the vehicle, returnable on 24.07.2026.

4. Dasti service, in addition, is permitted. Let steps for service be taken within one week.

5. In the notice itself, let it be mentioned that respondents are required to file the counter affidavit and reply to the interlocutory application(s), if any, before the next date of listing.

(NEHA GUPTA)
COURT MASTER (SH)

(ANU BHALLA)
COURT MASTER (NSH)