

GAHC040003742024



**THE GAUHATI HIGH COURT**  
**(HIGH COURT OF ASSAM, NAGALAND, MIZORAM AND ARUNACHAL PRADESH)**  
**(ITANAGAR BENCH)**

**Case No. : IA(C)/49/2024**

Thuing Singpho and Anr  
Age: 48  
Address: Wife of Late Pisi Jawlai Singpho  
(Gaon Burah of Pisi Village)  
resident of Upper colony, Miao  
PO and PS Miao  
Changlang District  
Arunachal Pradesh

2: Siraiong Singpho  
Age: 45  
Address: Son of Shri Kumku Gam Singpho  
(representative of the Chief of Singpho Tribe of Nhkmsang Area)  
resident of K G Singpho Complex  
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The Union of India and 11 Ors  
represented by the Secretary (EF and CC)  
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change  
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7:The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (Wildlife and Bio Diversity) and Chief  
Wildlife Warden  
Address:Govt of Arunachal Pradesh  
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8:The Chief Conservator of Forest (Wildlife)  
Address:Govt of Arunachal Pradesh  
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9:The Conservator of Forest and Field Director (Project Tiger)  
Address:Namdapha Tiger Reserve  
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11:The Deputy Commissioner

Address:Changlang District  
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12:The Additional Deputy Commisisoner  
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**Advocate for the Petitioner** : Khogen Bui

**Advocate for the Respondent** : Marto Kato

**Linked Case : WP(C)/119/2024**

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Advocate for : Parswajyoti Das Nair  
Advocate for : Marto Kato appearing for The Union of India and 11 Ors: Advocate ,  
appearing for 2, 3,4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, respectively.

**BEFORE  
HONBLE MR. JUSTICE KARDAK ETE**

**ORDER**

**Date : 09-04-2024**

Heard Mr. P. D. Nair, learned counsel for the applicants/ writ petitioners.

Also heard Mr. M. Kato, learned Dy.SGI appearing for respondents No. 1 & 3; Mr. N. Ratan, learned Additional Advocate General appearing for respondents No. 2, 4, 6 to 12 and Mr. D. Kamduk, learned standing counsel for the Land Management Department appearing for respondent No. 5.

This is an application for leave to allow the applicants to file writ petition in representative capacity to espouse the cause of the descendants of the original inhabitants of area belonging to the Singpho tribe whose lands in Pisi village and the erstwhile Kamku village in and around the M'Pen area are

presently included in the Namdapa National Park and Tiger Reserve.

The applicant No. 1 has been authorized by the villagers of Pisi and M'pen villages of Miao Sub-Division of Changlang District vide the meeting dated 18.07.2023 *inter alia* to espouse the cause for the benefit with regard to the community land of the Singpho tribe in Pisi village and erstwhile Kamku village. The applicant No. 2 has also been authorized to espouse the cause vide authorization dated 04.07.2023 by the Chief of Singpho tribe of N'hkumsang area that comprised of the areas including the Pisi village and the erstwhile Kamku village in and around the M'Pen area.

Having considered the above and the prayer not being opposed by the learned counsel appearing for the opposite parties I deem it appropriate to allow this application. Accordingly, the leave is granted to the applicants to file the connected writ petition in representative capacity to espouse the cause of the descendants of the original inhabitants of the area belonging to the Singpho tribe whose lands in Pisi village and the erstwhile Kamku village in and around the M'Pen area.

The interlocutory application stands allowed and disposed of.

**JUDGE**

**Comparing Assistant**