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

Case No. : I.A.(Civil)/3759/2026

RAMEN GOSWAMI AND ANR.
S/O LATE JAGANNATH GOSWAMI
RESIDENT OF HOUSE NO 14 RUPNAGAR BYE LANE NO 3 SANKARDEV PATH
P S BHANGAGARH
P O INDRAPUR
GUWAHATI 781020
ASSAM

2: KANAK SARMAH
S/O LATE JAGADDHAR SHARMAH
RESIDENT OF HOUSE NO 19 BRINDAVAN PATH WARD NO 18 RUPNAGAR
P O INDRAPUR
P S BHANGAGARH
GUWAHATI 781020
ASSA

VERSUS

THE STATE OF ASSAM AND ORS.
REPRESENTED BY THE COMMISSIONER AND SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM, DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION, ASSAM DISPUR, GUWAHATI, PIN 781006

2:THE SECRETARY
GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION ASSAM DISPUR PIN 781006

3:THE JOINT SECRETARY
GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION ASSAM DISPUR PIN 781006

4:THE DIRECTOR
HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT KAHILIPARA GUWAHATI PIN 781019

5:THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR
SANSKRIT EDUCATION KAHILIPARA GUWAHATI PIN 781019

6:THE PRADHAN ADHYAPAK SECRETARY
ASOM VED VIDYALAYA VEDAPURAM RUPNAGAR GUWAHATI PIN 781032

7:THE COMMISSIONER
GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM SCHOOL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT ASSAM
DISPUR PIN 781006

8:THE SECRETARY
GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM SCHOOL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT ASSAM
DISPUR PIN 781006

9:THE DIRECTOR OF SECONDARY EDUCATION
SCHOOL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT KAHILIPARA PIN 781019 ASSA

Advocate for the Petitioner : MR. S P SHARMA,

Advocate for the Respondent : GA, ASSAM, SC, HIGHER EDU

Linked Case : WP(C)/7046/2022

RAMEN GOSWAMI AND ANR
S/O. LT. JAGANNATH GOSWAMI
R/O. HOUSE NO.14
RUPNAGAR
BYE LANE-3
SANKARDEV PATH
P.O. INDRAPUR
P.S. BHANGAGARH
PIN-781032
DIST. KAMRUP (M)
ASSAM.

2: KANAK SHARMAH

S/O. LT. JAGADDHAR SHARMAH
R/O. HOUSE NO.19
BRINDABAN PATH
WARD NO. 18
RUPNAGAR

P. INDRAPUR
P.S. BHANGAGARH
PIN-781032
DIST. KAMRUP (M)
ASSAM.
VERSUS

THE STATE OF ASSAM AND 5 ORS
REP. BY THE COMM. AND SECY. TO THE GOVT. OF ASSAM
DEPTT. OF HIGHER EDUCATION
ASSAM
DISPUR
PIN-781006.

2:THE SECRETARY
TO THE GOVT. OF ASSAM
HIGHER EDUCATION DEPTT.
ASSAM
DISPUR
PIN-781006.

3:THE JOINT SECRETARY
TO THE GOVT. OF ASSAM
HIGHER EDUCATION DEPTT.
ASSAM
DISPUR
PIN-781006.

4:THE DIRECTOR

HIGHER EDUCATION DEPTT.
KAHILIPARA
GUWAHATI
PIN-781019.

5:THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR SANSKRIT EDUCATION

ASSAM
KAHILIPARA
GUWAHATI
PIN-781019.

6:THE PRADHAN ADHYAPAK/SECRETARY

ASOM VED VIDYALAYA
VEDAPURAM
RUPNAGAR
GUWAHATI-781032.

Advocate for : MR. S P SHARMA
Advocate for : SC
HIGHER EDU appearing for THE STATE OF ASSAM AND 5 ORS

BEFORE
HONOURABLE MRS. JUSTICE SHAMIMA JAHAN

ORDER

02.11.2026

1. Heard Mr. D. Das, learned counsel appearing for the applicants and Mr. A.R. Tahbildar, learned Standing Counsel appearing for the Higher Education Department.

2. By this application, the petitioners have prayed for impleadment of three respondents, i.e., Respondent Nos. 7, 8 and 9 pursuant to the order dated 30.09.2026 passed by this Court.

3. It is observed that pursuant to a Cabinet decision dated 04.12.2024, the administrative jurisdiction in respect of the provincialization of Sanskrit Tols/Pali Tols has been transferred from the Department of Higher Education to the Department of School Education. Accordingly, this Court vide order dated 30.09.2026 had permitted the petitioners to take steps for impleading the appropriate department in the present writ proceedings. Pursuant thereto, the petitioners have filed the instant application seeking impleadment of the Department of School Education as Respondent Nos. 7, 8 and 9.

4. In view of the above, the prayer for impleadment is allowed.

5. The applicants are directed to implead the concerned parties as Respondent Nos. 7, 8 and 9 and to file an amended cause title incorporating the necessary corrections. Upon filing of the amended cause title, the Registry shall carry out

the corresponding corrections in the CIS.

6. Further, Mr. Tahbildar, learned Standing Counsel appearing for the Higher Education Department submits that the Higher Education Department is neither a necessary nor a proper party to the present proceedings and accordingly prays that the said respondents be struck off from the array of parties. The petitioners are accordingly permitted to carry out the necessary corrections in the cause title in this regard as well.

7. The I.A. stands disposed of.

8. The Registry is further directed to reflect the nomenclature of the Standing Counsel, School Education Department in the cause list.

JUDGE

Comparing Assistant