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

**Case No. : WP(C)/290/2017**

ABDUL MATLEB and 23 ORS.  
S/O. LT. BIDASHI SHEIKH,

VERSUS

THE STATE OF ASSAM and 3 ORS.  
REP. BY THE COMM. and SECY., TO THE GOVT. OF ASSAM, REVENUE  
SETTLEMENT DEPTT., DISPUR, GHY.-06.

**Advocate for the Petitioner : MR.A K HUSSAIN**

**Advocate for the Respondent : GA, ASSAM**

Linked Case : **WP(C)/844/2012**

MD NAZIBAR RAHMAN and 45 ORS  
SON OF LATE DARBESH ALI VILL- BELBELI

2: MD. HABIBUR RAHMAN  
SON OF LATE DARBESH ALI VILL- BELBELI

3: MD. INNAS ALI  
S/O SIDDIQUE ALI VILL- BELBELI

4: MD. INSER ALI  
SON OF MUNSOB ALI VILL- BELBELI

5: MD. MAJIBUR RAHMAN  
SON OF LATE DERBESH ALI VILL- BELBELI

6: MD. ATOWAR RAHMAN  
SON OF LATE DERBESH ALI VILL- BELBELI

7: MUSTT. NAYMAN NESSA

WIFE OF LATE DERBESH ALI VILL- BELBELI

8: MD. KADER ALI  
SON OF JABBAR ALI VILL- NADIA

9: MD. SABED ALI  
SON OF JABBAR ALI VILL- NADIA

10: MD. B ASER ALI  
SON OF NIZAM ALI VILL- NO. 2 LARKUCHI

11: MD. BASER ALI  
SON OF HUSSAIN ALI VILL- NO. 2 LARKUCHI

12: MD. KURBAN ALI  
SON OF SARBIRAN NESSA VILL- BELBELI

13: MD. HARAN ALI  
SON OF AFAZUDDIN VILL- NO. 2 LARKUCHI

14: MD. BILLAL HUSSAIN  
SON OF HUSSAIN VILL- NO.2 LARKUCHI

15: MD. ABDUL RAHMAN  
SON OF MOHAMMAD VILL- NO. 2 LARKUCHI.

16: MD. KADER ALI  
SON OF KURBAN ALI VILL- NO. 2 LARKUCHI.

17: MD. SIRJAN ALI  
SON OF MUNSER ALI VILL- BELBELI.

18: MD. MAZID ALI  
SON OF DARBESH ALI VILL- NO. 2 LARKUCHI.

19: MD. SAUKAT ALI  
SON OF RUSTAM VIL- NO. 2 LARKUCHI

20: MD. BARKAT ALI  
S/O KAJIMUDDIN VIL- NO. 2 LARKUCHI

21: ALALUDDIN  
SON OF DARNAJ VIL- NO. 2 LARKUCHI

22: JABED ALI  
SON OF NASER ALI VIL- NO. 2 LARKUCHI

23: AYUB KHAN

GRANDSON OF NASER ALI VIL- NO. 2 LARKUCHI

24: MAHAR ALI

GRANDSON OF NAYAB VIL- NO. 2 LARKUCHI

25: ATOWAR RAHMAN

SON OF TALEB ALI VIL- NO. 2 LARKUCHI

26: KANDU BEPARI

SON OF JOYNAL VIL- NO. 2 LARKUCHI

27: SAHJAHAN ALI

GRANDSON OF NAYAB VIL- NO. 2 LARKUCHI

28: JAMALUDDIN

GRAND SON OF NAYAB VIL- NO. 2 LARKUCHI

29: MAHAR ALI

GRANDSON OF HABEZ VIL- NO. 2 LARKUCHI

30: AMZAD ALI

SON OF DWARAG VILL- NADIYA

31: ABDUL BAREK

SON OF DWARAG VIL- NO. 2 LARKUCHI

32: ASHRAF ALI

SON OF ALI AHMED VILL- NO. 2 LARKUCHI

33: AFALUR RAHMAN

SON OF ALI AHMED VIL- NO. 2 LARKUCHI

34: NIMAI SHEIKH

SON OF MAFEZ SHEIKH VILL- BELBELI.

35: MAJIBAR RAHMAN

SON OF JOYNAL SHEIKH VILL- BELBELI

36: USMAN GONI

SON OF NAYANDI VILL- BELBELI

37: BASIRUDDIN

SON OF TALEB VILL- BELBELI

38: KADER ALI

SON OF MAHAMMAD VIL- NO. 2 LARKUCHI

39: MUSTT. ANOWARA BEGUM

W/O MAHAMMAD VIL- NO. 2 LARKUCHI

40: KAYED ALI  
SON OF SIDDIQUE ALI BELBELI

41: SADULLAH  
SON OF SADAGAR VILL- BELBELI

42: MOYNAL HAQUE  
SON OF JOYNAL

43: HAKIMUDDIN  
SON OF USMAN GONI VILL- BELBELI.

44: AKBAR ALI  
SON OF MAHAMMAD VIL- NO. 2 LARKUCHI

45: KHADEM  
SON OF NIJAM VILL- NADIYA

46: BAHAR ALI  
SON OF RAHIJ ALI VILL- NADIYA  
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DISPUR  
GUWAHATI-6.

2:THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER  
LAND SETTLEMENT BRANCH  
NALBARI  
DIST. NALBARI  
ASSAM  
PIN- 781335.

3:THE ADDITIONAL DEPUTY COMMISSIONER  
REVENUE LAND SETTLEMENT BRANCH NALBARI  
ASSAM  
PIN- 781335.

4:THE CIRCLE OFFICER

BARKHETRI REVENUE CIRCLE  
MUKALMUA PIN- 781126.

5:THE DIRECTOR OF LAND RECORDS AND  
SURVEY ETC.  
ASSAM  
RUPNAGAR

GUWAHATI- 781032.

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Advocate for : MD.A HUSSAIN  
Advocate for : SC  
REVENUE appearing for THE STATE OF ASSAM AND ORS

Linked Case : **WP(C)/190/2017**

SHIRAJUL ISLAM and 26 ORS.  
S/OLT. ARMAN ALI

2: CHANMIA ALI  
S/O LT. SATTAR ALI

3: SUKUR ALI  
S/O MESER ALI

4: MRS. SIRIMAN NESSA  
W/O LT. ARMAN ALI

5: RUPCHAN ALI  
S/O LT. GONI ALI

6: JURAN ALI  
S/O LT. HABI ALI

7: GARJAN ALI  
S/O LT. JABED ALI

8: MUNTAZ ALI  
S/O LT. ELO

9: MRS. SOLEMAN BEGUM  
W/O LT. ELO

10: MRS. SALEHA BEGUM  
W/O TAIB ALI

11: MRS. KHABIRAN BIDHABA  
W/O LT. SUBAHAN ALI

12: FARMAN ALI  
S/O LT. DURJAN ALI

13: MRS. AMENA BIDHABA  
W/O LT. RAHAM ALI

14: MRS. JIRAMAN NESSA  
W/O LT. HABEJ ALI

15: MRS. MOINA KHATUN  
W/O LT. INTAZ ALI

16: MRS. REJIA BIDHABA  
W/O LT. FULCHAN ALI

17: INTAZ ALI  
S/O HALAL UDDIN

18: TAIAB ALI  
S/O LT. DURJAN ALI

19: MRS. RABIA BIDHABA  
W/O LT. DHANU

20: BAHARUL ISLAM  
S/O TALEBAR ALI

21: MRS. JARIMAN KHATUN  
W/O SADULLA ALI

22: ARFAN ALI  
S/O AFAZ ALI

23: REJEK ALI  
S/O LT. HABEJ UDDIN

24: AKKEL ALI  
S/O LT. MAHMAD ALI

25: AMJAD ALI  
S/O HALALUDDIN

26: MRS. BEILA KHATUN  
W/O LT. RUPCHAN ALI

27: MRS. DIJAN BIDHABA  
W/O MAHMUD ALI ALL ARE RESIDENTS OF VILL- LAWTHARI P.O.  
JOYSAGAR  
P.S. MUKALMUA MOUZA- MADHYAM BARKHETRI  
DIST. NALBARI  
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PIN - 781126.

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Advocate for : MR.D N SARMA  
Advocate for : appearing for THE STATE OF ASSAM and 3 ORS.

Linked Case : **WP(C)/5324/2011**

MD. MAKAR ALI and 69 ORS.  
S/O- LT. AHMED ALI  
VILL.- KALARDIA.

2: MONI HUSSAIN  
S/O- MD. RAMES ALI  
VILL.- MUKALMUA.

3: MD. SAMSO  
S/O- LT. AKKES ALI  
VILL.- KALARDIA.

4: NAJRUL HOQUE  
S/O- MD. SONA ALI  
VILL.- KALARDIA.

5: MAHIBAR RAHMAN  
S/O- LT. JUMAT ALI

VILL.- MUKALMUA.

6: AKRAM ALI  
S/O- LT. UNUS ALI  
VILL.- MUKALMUA.

7: MAHMMAD ALI  
S/O- LT. MASER ALI  
VILL.- KALARDIA.

8: ASAN ALI  
S/O- LT. TALEB ALI  
VILL.- MUKALMUA.

9: ARIFUL ALI  
S/O- MD. ABUL ALI VILL.- KALARDIA.

10: ARMAN ALI  
S/O.- LT. IDAR ALI  
VILL.- MUKALMUA.

11: APSER ALI  
S/O- LT. KERAMAT ALI  
VILL.- KALARDIA.

12: NUJIR ALI  
S/O- LT. AHMED ALI  
VILL.- KALARDIA.

13: MANTAJ ALI  
S/O- LT. HAIDAR ALI  
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S/O- LT. AJIM ALI  
VILL.- MUKALMUA.

15: AYUB ALI  
S/O- LT. MESER ALI  
VILL.- KALARDIA.

16: NURODDIN ALI  
S/O- MD. ALI HUSSAIN  
VILL.- KALARDIA.

17: BILLAL ALI  
S/O- MD. TAJAR ALI  
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21: JAKIR ALI  
S/O- MD. MAHIBAR RAHMAN  
VILL.- KALARDIA.

22: SAHEDA BIBI  
W/O- SONALI  
VILL.- KALARDIA.

23: SURIA BIBI  
W/O- MD. TAIZO ALI  
VILL.- KALARDIA.

24: RUME ALI  
S/O- LT. LATIM ALI  
VILL.- KALARDIA.

25: FAZAL ALI  
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26: MONU HUSSAIN  
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VILL.- KALARDIA.

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VILL.- KALARDIA.

30: SAIFAL ALI  
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VILL.- MUKALMUA.

31: TAJER ALI  
S/O- LT. HAIDA ALI  
VILL.- KALARIA.

32: PRAMESH DEKA  
S/O- LT. BAMU RAM DEKA ALI  
VILL.- HOWLI GHAT BARUAPUTA.

33: ISLAM ALI  
S/O- LT. HAIDAR ALI  
VILL.- KALARIA.

34: MD. HAIDAR ALI  
S/O- LT. PANIBHUWA ALI  
VILL.- MUKALMUA.

35: MD. MUSLEMUDDIN  
S/O- LT. LATIM ALI  
VILL.- MUKALMUA.

36: SAIFO ALI  
S/O- LT. KHABIR ALI  
VILL.- KALARIA.

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S/O- LT. HAMED ALI  
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S/O- LT. AMIR ALI  
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47: TAIJO ALI  
S/O- LT. TAHMAT ALI  
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48: MD HAKIM ALI  
S/OLT. NINGA ALI VILL- KALARDIA

49: MD SAHID ALI  
S/O LT. DHANA ALI VILL- KALARDIA

50: MD NURAL ALI  
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51: MD MANTAZ ALI  
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52: MD IKBAL ALI  
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55: MD SAHJAHAN ALI  
S/O LT. SADEK ALI VILL- MUKALMUA

56: MD NABAB ALI  
S/O LT. KUDRART ALI VILL- KALARDIA

57: MD SADHULLA ALI  
S/O LT. NINGNA ALI VILL- KALARDIA

58: MD BAHARUL ALI  
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S/O LT. MAHAMMAD ALI VILL- MUKALMUA

65: TUBUL ALI  
S/O SAIFUDDIN ALI VILL- MUKALMUA

66: ANOWAR HUSSAIN  
S/O NURFARAJ VILL- MUKALMUA

67: MOFIDUL HUSSAIN  
S/O MOBARAK HUSSAIN VILL- MUKALMUA

68: AKBAR ALI  
S/O IYAR ALI VILL- MUKALMUA

69: AMJAD ALI  
S/O IYAR ALI VILL- MUKALMUA

70: RAHMAN ALI  
S/O LT. DHANBAR ALI  
VILL- MUKALMUA  
ALL PETITIONERS ARE R/O ABOVE STATED VILLAGES P.O. and P.S.  
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DLR appearing for THE STATE OF ASSAM AND ORS

**BEFORE  
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE KAUSHIK GOSWAMI**

**ORDER**

**Date : 17.07.2024**

Heard Mr. A. K. Hussain, learned counsel for the petitioner in WP(C) 290/2017 and Mr. R. Islam, learned counsel for the petitioner in WP(C) 5324/2011, WP(C) 844/2012 and WP(C) 190/2017. Also heard Mr. N. Goswami, learned Government Advocate for the State respondents and Mr. A. Bhattacharyya, learned Standing Counsel, Revenue & Disaster Management Department.

2. By filing the instant writ petitions, the writ petitioners are seeking direction, inter-alia, to give allotment in favour of the petitioners being river eroded persons in terms of the Land Advisory Board Meeting dated 21.01.2003 in respect of the land, which the petitioners were possessing for last several years.

3. The case of the petitioners is that due to erosion, they have lost their land, which they were genuinely possessing and therefore, they are entitled for allotment of land in terms of Land Advisory Board Minutes dated 21.01.2003.

4. The State Government by filing affidavit-in-opposition have stated that the allotment of land is a Government policy and under the said policy only genuine

indigenous landless people of Assam is covered. In the affidavit-in-opposition filed by the State Government, it is categorically averred that the petitioners are not covered by the land policy of the Government in view of the fact that they are mere encroachers without having any identity of permanency and therefore they are liable to be evicted from the reserved land. However, it appears that the petitioners by filing affidavit-in-reply in WP(C) 290/2017 have rebutted the aforesaid stand of the State Government by stating that they are patta holders and have been living in the subject land for several years.

5. Considering that admittedly there is a land policy under which river eroded inhabitants are allotted land, subject of course to the conditions laid therein, this Court is of the opinion that this writ petition can be disposed of with a direction to the Jurisdictional Deputy Commissioner to conduct an inquiry as regards the claims of the petitioners and if the said is found genuine and covered by the applicable land policy, the same shall be processed in accordance with law.

6. Ordered accordingly.

7. It is needless to clarify that the Jurisdictional Deputy Commissioner shall give opportunity to the petitioners to produce all the relevant documents in support of their claims while conducting the said inquiry.

8. Let the entire exercise be completed within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

9. With the above observation and direction, these writ petitions are accordingly disposed of.

**JUDGE**