## BEFORE THE NATIONAL GREEN TRIBUNAL, PRINCIPAL BENCH, NEW DELHI

Original Application No. 174 of 2013 (M.A. No. 142 of 2014)

## IN THE MATTER OF:

Rohit Choudhury Vs. Union of India & Ors.

**CORAM:** HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE U.D.SALVI, ACTING CHAIRPERSON HON'BLE DR. NAGIN NANDA, EXPERT MEMBER

Mr.Rahul Choudhary and Ms. Meera Gopal, Applicant

Mr. B.V. Niren with Mr. Vinayak Gupta, Adv. for

Ministry of Surface and Road Transport

Mr. Parijat Sinha, Ms. Reshmi Rea Sinha Advs.

Mr. Ahmed Shahrooz, Adv. for Noticee Nos. 13,

32 and 56

Mr. Yash Vardhan Singh, Adv. for Noticee No.

13 & 58

Mr. Simranjeet Singh Adv.

Mr. Avijit Roy, Adv. for State of Assam Mr. Divya Prakash Pande, Adv. for Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change		
Date and Remarks	Orders of the Tribunal	
Item No.	Our attention has been drawn to the report dated	
February 01, 2018	04th December, 2017 wherein the State of Assam has	
A	place before us an alternative proposal to installation of	
110	Automated Animal Sensor Barriers. Except revealing the	
1 5	budgetary constraints there is no explanation or revela	
200	of the special circumstance or reason to go for the	
	alternative proposal. There is no material before us to	
-	suggest greater efficacy of the alternative in comparison	
	with Automated Animal Sensor Barriers. On the other	
	hand all along, we find from the record, the	
	recommendations for installing Automated Animal Sensor Barriers were being pursued. We, therefore, do not find	
	any merit in the alternative proposal suggested by the	
	State of Assam.	
	On 09 <sup>th</sup> August, 2017, the Additional Chief	
	Secretary, Environment and Forest Department,	
	Government of Assam made a statement that the	

Item No. 10 February 01, 2018 recommendations made by Wildlife Institute of India for installing the Automated Animal Sensor Barriers will be followed and improvements made in the Automated Animal Sensor Barriers completely by 30th September, 2017. We, therefore, would like to understand what are those budgetary constraints and when such budgetary constrain will be overcome and in what manner so that we can pass a final direction directing the State of Assam to install and commission the Automated Animal Sensor Barriers within a fixed time frame. We, therefore, direct Additional Secretary, Environment and Forest and Secretary in-charge, Finance and Planning (Additional Chief Secretary Finance and Planning) to remain present before the Tribunal on the next date of hearing.

List this matter on 07th March, 2018.

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