

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA  
CIVIL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

SUO MOTO CONTEMPT PETITION (C) NO.13 OF 2017

IN : RE ABHIJIT SARMA

IN THE MATTER OF :

WRIT PETITION (C) NO.274 OF 2009

ASSAM PUBLIC WORKS . . . . PETITIONER(S)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA AND ORS. . . . RESPONDENT(S)

O R D E R

1. We have heard the learned Solicitor General as well the learned counsel appearing for the alleged contemnor. We have also perused the report submitted by Shri Prateek Hajela, Project Coordinator, as well as the reply thereto filed in the form of a counter affidavit of the alleged contemnor.

2. Though the statements made in the press by the alleged contemnor appears to be ill advised and contemptuous, we are of the view that having regard to the unqualified and unconditional apology tendered by the alleged contemnor in his counter affidavit, we ought to accept the same. We

accept the apology tendered and close the matter by cautioning the contemnor to be careful in future.

3. Contempt proceedings shall stand closed in terms of the above.

.....,J.  
(RANJAN GOGOI)

.....,J.  
(ROHINTON FALI NARIMAN)

NEW DELHI  
OCTOBER 12, 2017

ITEM NO.301

COURT NO.2

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Date : 12-10-2017 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RANJAN GOGOI  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ROHINTON FALI NARIMAN

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Mr. Simant Garg, Adv.  
Ms. L.S. Changsan, (Principal Secy.)

Mr. Anurag Pandey, AOR

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Mr. Arvind Kumar Sharma, AOR

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

SUO MOTO CONTEMPT PETITION (C) NO.13 OF 2017

Contempt proceedings shall stand closed in terms of the signed order.

WRIT PETITION (C) NO.274 OF 2009

Shri Prateek Hajela, Project Coordinator, has submitted a report dated 12.10.2017, which is taken on record.

We direct the Registry to register the report as an Interlocutory Application in Writ Petition No.274 of 2009.

Issue notice to the Union of India (Ministry of Home) and State of Assam represented by the Chief Secretary to the Government of Assam.

Notice to the Union of India (Ministry of Home) be served through the Central Agency.

Ministry of Home, Chief Secretary of the State of Assam and Director General of Police are directed to file response on or before 7<sup>th</sup> November, 2017.

List the matter on 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2017.

We further direct the authorities in the Ministry of Home Affairs as also the Government of

Assam to take necessary steps to ensure that no untoward incident or any violence occurs in connection with the work of preparation of NRC.

Registry is directed to submit a copy of the report to the learned Solicitor General, who is requested to assist the Court in the matter.

(NEETU KHAJURIA)  
COURT MASTER

(ASHA SONI)  
BRANCH OFFICER

(Signed order in SMC(C) No.13/2017 is placed below)

\*(Appearance slip not given.)