

ITEM NO.15+54

COURT NO.5

SECTION XVI

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Petition for Special Leave to Appeal (C) Nos. 27300-27301/2026
[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 21-07-2026
in WPA(P) No. 160/2026 21-07-2026 in WPA(P) No. 419/2025 passed by
the High Court at Calcutta]

MERLIN PROJECTS LIMITED

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

CHITTARANJAN DAS & ORS.

Respondent(s)

IA No. 232128/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED
JUDGMENT, IA No. 232130/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T., IA No.
232126/2026 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL
DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES

with ITEM NO. 54

SLP(C)Nos. 27404-27405/2026

IA No. 233114/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED
JUDGMENT, IA No. 233115/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

IA No. 233111/2026 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL
DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES

Date : 11-08-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE J.B. PARDIWALA
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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

1. Having heard the learned senior counsel appearing for the parties and having gone through the materials on record, we are of the view that the presence of the Respondent No.6-Kolkata

Municipal Corporation, the respondent no.7- Municipal Commissioner, Kolkata Municipal Commission and the respondent no.8-Director General, Kolkata Municipal Corporation, respectively, and other respondents is very much required.

2. We would like to know what is the stance of the Corporation as regards the *prima facie* finding recorded by the High court in its impugned interim order that the land on which construction has come up is a water body classified as "*Danga*" or "*Pukur*".

3. We want a comprehensive report in this regard by the next date of hearing. We are conscious of the fact that what is impugned before us is an interim order(s) and the main matter is coming up for hearing on 28.8.2026 before the High Court. However, we would like to know the stance of the Corporation.

4. Issue notice, returnable on 17.08.2026.

5. In the meantime, the impugned interim order(s) passed by the High Court shall remain stayed from its operation.

6. Dasti service, in addition, is permitted.

7. No further time will be granted to any of the respondents on returnable date.

(CHANDRESH)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(POOJA SHARMA)
COURT MASTER (NSH)