

ITEM NO.65

COURT NO.8

SECTION XVI

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

SPECIAL LEAVE PETITION (CIVIL) Diary No. 46595/2024

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 09-08-2024 in GA-COM Nos. 2/2024 and 3/2024 in APO No. 140/2023 and EC No. 91/2023 passed by the High Court at Calcutta]

SILIGURI JALPAIGURI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

BENGAL UNITECH UNIVERSAL SILIGURI PROJECTS LIMITED

Respondent(s)

(IA No. 296801/2026 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS)

Date : 05-10-2026 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV SACHDEVA

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

By way of I.A. No. 296801/2026, the petitioner/applicant, Siliguri Jalpaiguri Development Authority (SJDA), prays for appointment of an independent Observer to oversee the auction scheduled to be held on 08.10.2026.

Learned senior counsel appearing for the SJDA suggests the name of a retired judicial officer.

We, accordingly, appoint Mr. Murari Prasad Gupta, Additional District Judge (Retired), Serampore, to act as an Observer in relation to the scheduled auction and submit a report directly to this Court.

Fee of ₹2,00,000/- (Rupees two lakhs only) shall be paid by the SJDA to the learned Observer, apart from out-of-pocket expenses borne by him in relation to this exercise. Details of such expenses shall be furnished to the SJDA and the same shall be reimbursed.

I.A. No. 296801/2026 is, accordingly, disposed of.

Re-list the matter on 26.10.2026.

(DEEPAK GUGLANI)
DEPUTY REGISTRAR

(PREETI SAXENA)
COURT MASTER (NSH)