

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
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Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (C) No(s). 32019/2025

[Arising out of impugned judgment and order dated 12-09-2025 in WP No. 23536/2024 passed by the High Court of Judicature at Madras]

M/S JUNGLE HUT

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

THE HONBLE SEGUR PLATEAU ELEPHANT CORRIDOR
INQUIRY COMMITTEE & ORS.

Respondent(s)

(IA No. 282975/2025 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT, IA No. 282976/2025 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T. and IA No. 282980/2025 - PERMISSION TO FILE LENGTHY LIST OF DATES)

WITH

Diary No(s). 58857/2025 (XII)

IA No. 311003/2025 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT and IA No. 311006/2025 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

Diary No(s). 61702/2025 (XII)

IA No. 321991/2025 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN REFILING / CURING THE DEFECTS, IA No. 321993/2025 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT and IA No. 321992/2025 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

SLP(C) No. 36421/2025 (XII)

IA No. 327482/2025 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT, IA No. 327485/2025 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T. and IA No. 327484/2025 - PERMISSION TO FILE LENGTHY LIST OF DATES

SLP(C) No. 716-717/2026 (XII)

SLP(C) No. 34005-34006/2025 (XII)

IA No. 300445/2025 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT

SLP(C) No. 34133/2025 (XII)

IA No. 301751/2025 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT and IA No. 301759/2025 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

Diary No(s). 8962/2026 (XII)

IA No. 54587/2026 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING and IA No. 54586/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

Diary No(s). 231/2026 (XII)

(IA No. 93403/2026 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING, IA No. 93404/2026 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN REFILING / CURING THE DEFECTS, IA No. 93407/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT and IA No. 93408/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.)

WITH

ITEM NO. 22

SPECIAL LEAVE PETITION (CIVIL) Diary No(s). 13823/2026

(IA No. 106262/2026 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING and IA No. 106261/2026 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT)

Date : 20-07-2026 These matters were called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JOYMALYA BAGCHI
HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE V. MOHANA

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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following

O R D E R

1. Delay condoned.
2. We have heard learned senior counsel for the petitioner(s) and learned counsel for the State of Tamil Nadu.
3. We see no ground to interfere with the impugned judgment(s) of the High Court. The measures directed by the High Court for protecting the elephant corridors need to be given effect. However, the State shall be at liberty to identify the land which is worth acquisition and is not owned or possessed by the tribal communities. In case the State of Tamil Nadu faces any difficulty in the acquisition process, it shall be at liberty to approach the High Court for suitable modification.
4. However, all those petitioners who, by virtue of the High Court judgment, were deprived of their livelihood may approach the State Government for providing some alternative source of livelihood. Such a request shall be considered sympathetically. We, however, make it clear that no commercial activity whatsoever shall be allowed to run in the subject area.
5. The Special Leave Petitions are, accordingly, disposed of with pending application(s), if any.

(NITIN TALREJA)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(PREETHI DILEEP KUMAR)
DY. REGISTRAR