

ITEM NO.1

COURT NO.2

SECTION XIV

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.13544/2017

(Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 03-11-2016  
in WA No.276/2013 passed by the Gauhati High Court)

SONAULLAH SHEIKH

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.

Respondent(s)

(With IA No.43277/2017-EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T. and IA  
No.43276/2017-PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS and IA No.  
43274/2017 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING)

Date : 26-09-2022 These matters were called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE DR. JUSTICE D.Y. CHANDRACHUD

HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE HIMA KOHLI

For Petitioner(s) Mr. Salman Khurshid, Sr. Adv.  
Mrs. Naghma Imtiaz, Adv.  
Mr. Ahmed Zargham, Adv.  
Mr. Saif Naseem, Adv.  
Mr. Aman Khullar, Adv.  
Mrs. Kamna Singh, Adv.  
M/s. Equity Lex Associates

For Respondent(s) Ms. Aishwarya Bhati, ASG  
Mr. Akshay Amritanshu, Adv.  
Ms. Swati Ghildiyal, Adv.  
Ms. Diksha Rai, Adv.  
Mr. A.K. Sharma, Adv.

**Mr. Shuvodeep Roy, Adv.  
Mr. Arnav Singhdeo, Adv.**

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

- 1 Delay condoned.
- 2 Mr Salman Khurshid, senior counsel states that the petitioner is a poor labourer from Arunachal Pradesh who could not appear before the Foreigners' Tribunal due to exigencies of the situation. However, senior counsel submits that there is documentary evidence available indicating that the petitioner's father and grand father figured in the 1951 NRC and that the name of his father appearing in the voter's list of 1966.
- 3 Issue notice, returnable in three months.
- 4 Ms Aishwarya Bhati, Additional Solicitor General and Mr Shuvodeep Roy, counsel appear on behalf of the Union of India and the State of Assam respectively and waive service.
- 5 A copy of the petition be served on the counsel for the Union of India and counsel for the State of Assam.
- 6 Counter affidavit be filed within a period of six weeks.

**(CHETAN KUMAR)  
A.R. -cum-P.S.**

**(SAROJ KUMARI GAUR)  
Assistant Registrar**