

ITEM NO.25

COURT NO.13

SECTION X

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

Writ Petition (Civil) No.188/2004

M/S. RAIGANJ CONSUMER FORUM

PETITIONER(S)

VERSUS

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.

RESPONDENT(S)

[TO BE TAKEN UP AT 10.30 A.M.] ----- MR. SUNIL FERNANDES, SENIOR  
ADVOCATE WITH MR. SANCHIT GARGA, ADVOCATE AS AMICUS CURIAE

IA No. 33106/2019 - APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION  
IA No. 40455/2025 - APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION  
IA No. 112751/2020 - APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION  
IA No. 75467/2020 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 99096/2024 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 123554/2024 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 132882/2024 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 211853/2024 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 173810/2022 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 226482/2023 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 156597/2022 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 171258/2023 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 5215/2024 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 117612/2024 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 124299/2024 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 130757/2020 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 158058/2023 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 99028/2024 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 145179/2019 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 267222/2023 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 51709/2024 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 109027/2024 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 124289/2024 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 241765/2023 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 50597/2024 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 62733/2019 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 94012/2020 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 58091/2021 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 105879/2024 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 123817/2024 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 77100/2023 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS

IA No. 226492/2023 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 16546/2024 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS  
IA No. 45905/2019 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION  
IA No. 132644/2021 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION  
IA No. 175920/2022 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION  
IA No. 132638/2021 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION  
IA No. 110706/2021 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION  
IA No. 132630/2021 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION  
IA No. 104797/2025 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION  
IA No. 132614/2021 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION  
IA No. 230074/2024 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION  
IA No. 86122/2021 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION  
IA No. 211030/2023 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION  
IA No. 145178/2019 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION  
IA No. 77270/2021 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION  
IA No. 132665/2021 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION  
IA No. 132657/2021 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION  
IA No. 202669/2023 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.  
IA No. 42476/2020 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.  
IA No. 230077/2024 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.  
IA No. 134874/2022 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.  
IA No. 202744/2023 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.  
IA No. 32653/2021 - INTERVENTION APPLICATION  
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IA No. 87168/2025 - INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT					
IA No. 132577/2021 - INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT					
IA No. 215255/2024 - INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT					
IA	No.	42473/2020	- PERMISSION TO	FILE	ADDITIONAL
DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES					
IA	No.	157541/2019	- PERMISSION TO	FILE	ADDITIONAL
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IA	No.	88654/2022	- PERMISSION TO	FILE	ADDITIONAL
DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES					

IA No. 18325/2024 - RECALLING THE COURTS ORDER  
IA No. 130807/2020 - WITHDRAWAL OF CASE / APPLICATION  
IA No. 140519/2023 - WITHDRAWAL OF CASE / APPLICATION

WITH

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 T.C.(C) No. 2/2004 (XIV-A)

**ONLY FOR MODIFICATION ON IA 127435/2023**

IA No. 51293/2005 - APPLICATION FOR ADDITIONAL AFFIDAVIT

IA No. 80258/2020 - APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION

IA No. 141055/2018 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS

IA No. 80958/2021 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS

IA No. 62749/2022 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS

IA No. 80260/2020 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS

IA No. 106350/2023 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS

IA No. 44362/2023 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS

IA No. 79102/2020 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS

IA No. 147187/2021 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS

IA No. 188455/2022 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS

IA No. 36379/2018 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS

IA No. 143211/2021 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS

IA No. 87335/2018 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION

IA No. 141059/2018 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION

IA No. 156177/2022 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION

IA No. 80264/2020 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING AFFIDAVIT

IA No. 66054/2018 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

IA No. 147188/2021 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

IA No. 147185/2021 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

IA No. 75125/2018 - INTERVENTION APPLICATION

IA No. 66052/2018 - INTERVENTION APPLICATION

IA No. 147184/2021 - INTERVENTION APPLICATION

IA No. 156171/2022 - INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT

IA No. 177298/2023 - INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT

IA No. 14806/2006 - INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT

IA No. 176824/2022 - INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT

IA No. 157461/2022 - INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT

IA No. 51486/2024 - INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT

IA No. 158706/2021	-	PERMISSION	TO	FILE	ADDITIONAL
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IA No. 167941/2018	-	PERMISSION	TO	FILE	ADDITIONAL
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IA No. 167937/2018	-	PERMISSION	TO	FILE	ADDITIONAL
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IA No. 18188/2024 - RECALLING THE COURTS ORDER

T.C.(C) No. 1/2004 (XIV-A)

T.C.(C) No. 3/2004 (XIV-A)

T.C.(C) No. 8/2004 (XIV-A)

T.C.(C) No. 22/2004 (XIV-A)

T.C.(C) No. 19/2005 (XIV-A)  
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T.C.(C) No. 57/2005 (XIV-A)

C.A. No. 3134-3137/2016 (IV)

vide Hon'ble Court's order dated 16.07.2024, Mr. Sunil Fernandes,  
learned senior counsel has been appointed as Amicus Curiae

T.C.(C) No. 34/2019 (IV)  
T.C.(C) No. 35/2019 (IV)  
T.C.(C) No. 36/2019 (IV)  
T.C.(C) No. 37/2019 (IV)  
T.C.(C) No. 38/2019 (IV)

CONMT.PET.(C) No. 701/2021 in T.C.(C) No. 2/2004 (XIV-A)

FOR ADMISSION and IA No.35282/2021-EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.  
IA No. 35282/2021 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.

CONMT.PET.(C) No. 942/2021 in T.C.(C) No. 2/2004 (XIV-A)  
FOR ADMISSION

T.P.(C) No. 1127/2024 (IV-B)

IA No. 293133/2024 - APPLICATION FOR SUBSTITUTION  
IA No. 37986/2025 - SETTING ASIDE AN ABATEMENT  
IA No. 85639/2024 - STAY APPLICATION

Date : 15-05-2025 These matters were called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DIPANKAR DATTA  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANMOHAN

For Petitioner(s) :Mr. Pankaj Kumar Mishra, AOR  
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Mr. Ranjan Mukherjee, AOR  
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Mr. Shaikhil Suri, Sr. Adv.



Mr. Shantanu Bhowmick, Adv.

Mr. P.D. Sharma, AOR

Mr. Bhargava V. Desai, AOR  
Mr. Shivam Sharma, Adv.

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Mr. Harpal Singh Saini, Adv.  
Mr. Gaurav Dhingra, AOR

Mr. R.C. Kaushik, AOR  
Mr. Shish Pal Laler, Adv.  
Mr. Hitesh Kumar, Adv.  
Mr. Atul, Adv.  
Mr. Pranav Singh Gautam, Adv.  
Mr. Hardik Giri, Adv.  
Ms. Kadambini, Adv.

Ms. Minakshi Vij, AOR  
Mr. Somnath Mukherjee, AOR

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Mr. Rana Ranjit Singh, AOR  
Mr. Shailendra Bhardwaj, AOR  
Ms. Shalu Sharma, AOR  
Mr. Rameshwar Prasad Goyal, AOR

Mr. Ashok Kumar Singh, AOR  
Mr. Shantwanu Singh, Adv.  
Mrs. Pragya Singh, Adv.  
Mr. Rahul Dubey, Adv.  
Mr. Sunny Singh, Adv.  
Mr. Akshay Singh, Adv.

Mr. Ashwani Kumar, AOR  
M/S. K.J. John And Co, AOR  
Mr. Abhijit Sengupta, AOR

Mr. Rajat Bhardwaj, A.A.G.  
Mr. Karan Sharma, AOR

Mr. K.S. Rana, AOR  
Ms. Vandana Sehgal, AOR  
Ms. Minakshi Vij, AOR  
Mr. Yash Pal Dhingra, AOR

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

1. On 29.04.2025, we had passed *inter alia* the following order:

*“9. Having regard to the three aspects discussed above, it is necessary and we proceed to issue the following directions:-*

*(i) We require the GFIL Committee to display a notice on its website, i.e., [www.goldenforestcommittee.com](http://www.goldenforestcommittee.com), as well as publish notices in an English daily newspaper as well as a Hindi daily newspaper having wide circulation in this country, notifying the public at large that the GFIL Committee would be receiving claims from affected investors who have invested their hard-earned money in the scheme introduced by GFIL Pvt. Ltd., between 15th May, 2025 and 15th July, 2025, for the purpose of consideration of such claims and that any investor may lodge his claim within such period. It shall be stipulated that no claim beyond 15th July, 2025 shall be entertained in future. The order dated 27th November, 2018 stands modified to the aforesaid extent.*

*(ii) For sale of the properties of GFIL Pvt. Ltd. situated in the State of Telangana, we request the learned amicus to sit with Ms. Suruchi Aggarwal, learned senior counsel appearing for the GFIL Committee and Mr. Prasad, learned senior counsel for the Income Tax Authorities. They may, upon deliberations,*

*prepare joint minutes indicating therein the modalities for the purpose of publication of notice for auction of all the properties in the State of Telangana with the requisite particulars of khasra/survey/plot numbers and boundaries, the reserve price, the probable dates for publication of notice and receipt of bids, etc. Looking at such joint minutes, we propose to issue further directions."*

2. In compliance with such order, learned amicus curiae-Mr. Sunil Fernandes, Ms. Suruchi Aggarwal, learned senior counsel appearing for GFIL Committee and Mr. Arijit Prasad, learned senior counsel appearing for the Income Tax department, assembled to prepare a Joint Minutes of Meeting. The said minutes, dated 05.05.2025, having been placed on record, we have perused the same.

3. The proposals of the amicus, Ms. Aggarwal and Mr. Prasad are contained in paragraphs 9, 10 and 11 of the said minutes, which have been duly considered by us. We have also heard submissions advanced on behalf of their respective clients by Mr. Raghenth Basant, Mr. Jayant Sood and Mr. Shaikhil Suri, learned senior Counsel as well as Mr. Aditya Soni and Mr. Lzafeer Ahmad B.F., learned counsel on the aspect of acceptability/non-acceptability of the proposals.

4. Having majorly accepted the proposals, we issue the following directions:

The lands and buildings which are indicated in paragraph 6.1 of the Joint Minutes of Meeting shall be put up for auction on terms and conditions as noted below:

(i) Extent and details of lands to be auctioned shall be the lands evaluated by the Income Tax Department.

(ii) Reserve/Upset price shall be the value as evaluated by



the Income Tax Department.

(iii) Sale Notice shall be widely publicized in English, Hindi and Telugu language newspapers and should be widely publicized. The Sale Notice should also be published on the website of the GFIL Committee.

(iv) The public Auction should be an E-auction.

(v) The Public Auction shall be conducted by the Income Tax Department.

(vi) The sale shall be on “as is, where is and whatever there is” basis.

(vii) The EMD should be at least 10% of the Reserve Price.

(viii) Bid Amount and Incremental Bids shall be decided in advance.

(ix) The financial credentials of the prospective bidders shall be scrutinized by a designated officer of the Income Tax Department.

(x) The Successful Bidder shall deposit the 25% of the total Sale Amount within 7 days from the date of completion of the Bids and the declaration of successful Auction purchaser and the balance amount shall be deposited within 30 days from the date of completion of the Bids and declaration of successful Auction Purchaser.

(xi) The Sale Certificate shall be issued by the Income Tax Department to the successful bidder only and not to any nominee of the successful bidder after the Sale is confirmed by this Hon’ble Court and on deposit of the entire Sale

Consideration.

(xii) The EMD of unsuccessful bidders shall be returned on the same day as on the day of Auction.

(xiii) Possession of the lands so Auctioned shall be delivered through District Collector by way of warrants of possession to be issued by the GFIL Committee.

(xiv) Encroachments, if any, shall be removed by the District Administration.

(xv) Third party disputes shall be adjudicated by the GFIL Committee, i.e., "Disputes regarding possession, ownership, title of properties which were purchased by GFIL group of companies and which are in the custody of the Committee shall be adjudicated by the GFIL-Committee".

(xvi) Disputes, if any, qua the auction to be adjudicated by this Court.

(xvii) TDS shall be deducted from the sale proceeds in accordance with law.

(xviii) The expenses of Publication of Notice as well as the entire exercise of conducting auction, to be undertaken by the Income Tax Department, shall be reimbursed by the GFIL Committee from the funds that are available.

(xix) A Disclaimer to the effect that the successful auction purchaser shall step into the shoes of the GFIL Committee or the Golden Forest India Ltd. or Golden Projects Limited with respect to all pending litigations, disputes with third parties and thereafter, the GFIL Committee shall have no role in the said

disputes.

(xxii) The District Collector of both the districts, i.e., Yadadiri Bhuvanagiri and Pedapally should depute a Nodal Officer for the purpose of physical inspection of the lands by intending bidders and for inspection of the revenue records to check the status of encumbrance, if any.

(xxiii) Sale proceeds be deposited with the GFIL Committee by way of Demand Draft drawn in favour of the Chairman, Committee-GFIL or through RTGS mode of the amount of the Committee.

4. We further direct the Chairman, Central Board of Direct Taxes ("CBDT") to initiate the process for auction, as early as possible, preferably within 45 days from date.

5. We also record that in terms of paragraph 9.1 of the Order dated 29.04.2025, appropriate notices have been issued. The statement of the learned *amicus curiae* is accepted.

6. Heard-in-part.

7. Re-list on 13.08.2025, subject to obtaining orders from the Hon'ble the Chief Justice of India.

I.A. Nos. 68450 and 68453 of 2025 in T.C.(C) No.2/2004

1. Issue notice.

2. Ms. Suruchi Aggarwal, learned senior counsel assisted by Mr. Soumya Dutta, learned counsel, accepts notice.

3. The request made by Ms. Suruchi Aggarwal and Mr. Akshat Kumar,

learned counsel for the State of Uttarakhand seeking time for filing counter affidavits dealing with I.A. Nos.87699 of 2025 and I.A. No.104797/2025 (moved by Mr. Vikash Singh, learned senior counsel earlier), is extended. Let the counter affidavits be filed by 29.07.2025.

**(VIJAY KUMAR)**  
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