Gauhati High Court

Data as on 22.11.2026. Source: LawInC analysis of Department of Justice data.

Sitting judges of this Court, followed by judges whose Parent High Court is this Court and who are serving elsewhere, and sitting Supreme Court judges drawn from this Parent High Court. Parent High Court Seniority among sitting judges is kept after a transfer (as if there had been no transfers); that is the figure the public monthly list does not present as an all-India picture.

Sitting: 25 · Sanctioned: 30 · Vacancies: 5 · Of this PHC, serving elsewhere: 3 · Of other PHCs, serving here: 1 · Actg. Chief Justice: 1 · Now in the Supreme Court: 1

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Sitting at this High Court (25)

Ordered by sitting-court seniority (SHC-S). PHC-S is Parent High Court Seniority among sitting judges of that Parent High Court (as if there had been no transfers; incoming transfers are not counted here). AIS is All India Seniority as on this date, including Addl. Judges. Incoming transferred judges, including the Chief Justice, appear here.

SHC-S	PHC-S	AIS	Hon'ble Justice	Bar / Service	Sitting HC	PHC	Appointment	Retirement	Remarks
1	1	28	Ashutosh Kumar Chief Justice	Bar	Gauhati	Patna	15.05.2014	30.09.2028	Chief Justice w.e.f. 21.07.2025
2	2	33	Michael Zothankhuma	Bar	Gauhati	Gauhati	07.01.2015	22.10.2027	
3	4	63	Kalyan Rai Surana	Bar	Gauhati	Gauhati	15.11.2016	12.12.2027	
4	5	65	Nelson Sailo	Bar	Gauhati	Gauhati	15.11.2016	08.10.2030	
5	6	148	Sanjay Kumar Medhi	Bar	Gauhati	Gauhati	19.11.2018	06.03.2033	
6	8	169	Manish Choudhury	Bar	Gauhati	Gauhati	18.01.2019	28.02.2034	
7	9	207	Soumitra Saikia	Bar	Gauhati	Gauhati	26.11.2019	24.07.2031	
8	10	208	Parthivjyoti Saikia	Service	Gauhati	Gauhati	26.11.2019	17.04.2027	
9	11	263	Robin Phukan	Service	Gauhati	Gauhati	21.06.2021	28.02.2028	
10	12	281	Devashis Baruah	Bar	Gauhati	Gauhati	13.10.2021	21.02.2035	
11	13	321	Arun Dev Choudhury	Bar	Gauhati	Gauhati	05.11.2021	28.10.2033	
12	14	409	Mitali Thakuria (Smt.)	Service	Gauhati	Gauhati	16.08.2022	31.12.2026	
13	15	482	Kardak Ete	Bar	Gauhati	Gauhati	13.03.2023	07.04.2037	
14	16	492	Mridul Kumar Kalita	Service	Gauhati	Gauhati	20.04.2023	01.07.2030	
15	17	517	Budi Habung	Service	Gauhati	Gauhati	12.09.2023	05.04.2031	
16	18	544	N. Unni Krishnan Nair	Bar	Gauhati	Gauhati	10.11.2023	27.07.2033	
17	19	545	Kaushik Goswami	Bar	Gauhati	Gauhati	10.11.2023	03.09.2037	
18	20	594	Yarenjungla Longkumer (Smt.) Addl.	Service	Gauhati	Gauhati	17.02.2025	14.01.2030	Addl. Judge
19	21	626	Shamima Jahan (Smt.) Addl.	Bar	Gauhati	Gauhati	28.05.2025	10.03.2036	Addl. Judge
20	22	645	Anjan Moni Kalita Addl.	Bar	Gauhati	Gauhati	30.07.2025	31.12.2031	Addl. Judge
21	23	646	Rajesh Mazumdar Addl.	Bar	Gauhati	Gauhati	30.07.2025	13.07.2038	Addl. Judge
22	24	647	Pranjal Das Addl.	Service	Gauhati	Gauhati	30.07.2025	02.12.2032	Addl. Judge
23	25	648	Sanjeev Kumar Sharma Addl.	Service	Gauhati	Gauhati	30.07.2025	20.09.2033	Addl. Judge
24	26	800	Nchumbemo Mozhui Addl.	Bar	Gauhati	Gauhati	10.09.2026	26.07.2039	Addl. Judge
25	27	801	Helen Dawngliani (Smt.) Addl.	Service	Gauhati	Gauhati	10.09.2026	14.05.2035	Addl. Judge

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Collegium of the Gauhati High Court

As on 22.11.2026.

Role	Hon'ble Justice	Retirement
Chief Justice	Ashutosh Kumar	30.09.2028
Member	Michael Zothankhuma	22.10.2027
Member	Kalyan Rai Surana	12.12.2027

Projected from the present sitting list, through 22.11.2027: On 22.10.2027 Justice Michael Zothankhuma retires and Justice Nelson Sailo joins the collegium.

Senior-most judge of the Gauhati Parent High Court*

Projected order in which judges of this Parent High Court become its senior-most judge (PHC-S 1), from Parent High Court Seniority and dates of retirement. Judges who will retire before they could become the senior-most are omitted.

- 1* · Justice Manash Ranjan Pathak · now - 27.08.2027
- 2* · Justice Michael Zothankhuma · 28.08.2027 - 22.10.2027
- 3* · Justice Suman Shyam · 23.10.2027 - 11.06.2031
- 4* · Justice Sanjay Kumar Medhi · 12.06.2031 - 06.03.2033
- 5* · Justice Manish Choudhury · 07.03.2033 - 28.02.2034
- 6* · Justice Devashis Baruah · 01.03.2034 - 21.02.2035
- 7* · Justice Kardak Ete · 22.02.2035 - 07.04.2037
- 8* · Justice Kaushik Goswami · 08.04.2037 - 03.09.2037
- 9* · Justice Rajesh Mazumdar · 04.09.2037 - 13.07.2038
- 10* · Justice Nchumbemo Mozhui · 14.07.2038 - 26.07.2039

** LawInC projection as on 22.11.2026; not an official list. A later appointment, transfer, resignation or elevation to the Supreme Court would alter it.*

Transferred to other High Courts (3)

Including those serving as Chief Justice or as a puisne judge of another High Court. Their Parent High Court Seniority is unchanged.

SHC-S	PHC-S	AIS	Hon'ble Justice	Bar / Service	Sitting HC	PHC	Appointment	Retirement	Remarks
1	1	7	Manash Ranjan Pathak ACJ	Bar	Gujarat	Gauhati	22.05.2013	27.08.2027	Acting Chief Justice w.e.f. 06.10.2026
5	3	34	Suman Shyam	Bar	Bombay	Gauhati	07.01.2015	11.06.2031	
5	7	149	Nani Tagia	Bar	Patna	Gauhati	19.11.2018	15.05.2031	

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Transferred from other High Courts (1)

Sitting judges of this Court whose Parent High Court is another High Court (transferred in). Their Parent High Court Seniority (PHC-S) is that of their Parent High Court, among sitting judges.

Hon'ble Justice	Bar / Service	PHC	PHC-S
Ashutosh Kumar	Bar	Patna	1

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Actg. Chief Justice (1)

Sl.	Hon'ble Justice	High Court	Appointment	Retirement
1	Manash Ranjan Pathak ACJ	Gujarat	06.10.2026	27.08.2027

ACJ: Acting Chief Justice.

Hon'ble Judge of Supreme Court (1)

SC seniority	Hon'ble Justice	Appointment	Retirement	Remarks
14	Ujjal Bhuyan	14.07.2023	01.08.2029	—

CJI: Chief Justice of India.

** Likely to be CJI as per seniority*