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action, initiated in a court of law for the enforcement of public interest or general interest, in which the public or a class of the community have becuniary interest or some interest by, which, their legal rights or liabilities are affected. In public interest litigation a broad rule has been evolved, which gives a locus standi to any or the public acting bonafide and having sufficient interest in instituting an action for redressal of public wrong or public injury. The other decisions of the Supreme Court as referred to above, also speak in the same terms or hold similar views. In the present writ application, the Writ Petitioner Association has raised a bonafide plea that by the impugned actions of the Respondents, the legal rights of the inhabitants of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands have been affected, so far as service facilities are concerned. The point is, accordingly, decided against the Respondents, ...

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