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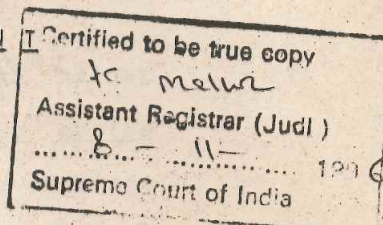
IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA  
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION  
CIVIL APPEAL NO. 12992 OF 1996  
(Arising out of SLP (C) No.12553/91)

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Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation ... Appellant  
Versus  
Nawab Khan Gulab Khan & Ors. ... Respondents

J U D G M E N T

K. Ramaswamy, J.



Leave granted.

This appeal by special leave arises from the judgment and order made on February 20, 1991 by the Gujarat High Court in Special Civil Application No.5351 of 1982.

The admitted facts are that 29 persons had filed the writ petition in the High Court. They are pavement-dwellers in unauthorised occupation of footpaths of the Rakhial Road in Ahmedabad which is a main road. They have constructed huts thereon. When the Corporation sought to remove their encroachments on December 10, 1982, they approached the High Court under