

GAHC040000572023



THE GAUHATI HIGH COURT
(HIGH COURT OF ASSAM, NAGALAND, MIZORAM AND ARUNACHAL PRADESH)
(ITANAGAR BENCH)

Case No. : PIL/1/2023

Payi Gyadi
S/o Papu Gyadi,
Resident of Barapani Colony, Naharlagun, PO/PS Naharlagun, District Papum Pare,
Arunachal Pradesh.

VERSUS

THE UNION OF INDIA and 6 Ors.
Represented by the Secretary, Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance, Govt. of
India.

2:The Director
Age: 0
Occupation :

3:The Special Director (Eastern Zone)
Age: 0
Occupation :

4:The Joint Director
Age: 0
Occupation :

5:The Deputy Director
Age: 0
Occupation :

6:THE STATE OF AP

Age: 0

Occupation :

7:The Secretary

Age: 0

Occupation

Advocate for the Petitioner : Duyu Laji

Advocate for the Respondent : GA (AP)

BEFORE
HONBLE MRS. JUSTICE SUSMITA PHUKAN KHAUND
HONBLE MR. JUSTICE KARDAK ETE

ORDER

Date : 14.05.2024

(K. Ete, J.)

Heard Mr. T. Pertin, learned Amicus Curiae. Also heard Mr. M. Kato, learned DSGI for the respondent No. 1; Mr. N. Ratan, learned counsel for the respondent Nos. 2 to 5; Mr. R. H. Nabam, learned Additional General Advocate for the respondent No. 6 and Ms. N. Anju, learned counsel for the respondent No. 7.

This Public Interest Litigation (PIL) has been filed for a direction to the respondent authorities to investigate the money laundering aspect in "APPSC Cash for Job Scam".

It is contended that the Special Investigation (vigilance) has investigated the criminal act. Thereafter, the matter has been transferred to Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI). According to the petitioner, the Act of Money Laundering has not been investigated by the Enforcement Directorate. Hence, this petition for a direction to the Enforcement Directorate to investigate over money laundering Act of "APPSC Cash for Job Scam".

The respondent Nos. 1 to 5 had filed the affidavit on 07.03.2023 and 12.08.2023, clearly placing on record that the Directorate Enforcement on 25.01.2023 has recorded the case bearing No. ECIR/GWZO-II/03/2023 and the investigation under Prevention of Money Laundering Act was initiated. It is stated that investigation under the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 is in progress. Information of the details of the document in respect of the suspected persons from various telecom companies have been gathered to accumulate the relevant evidence. In addition to already identified immovable properties, officials of the respondents are making all efforts to identify the movable properties in the form of investments/insurance policies and undisclosed bank accounts and immovable properties of the suspected persons in the matter. It is further stated that all lawful action as may be required, if the evidences so reveal, as taken by the provision of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002.

We have considered the submissions and materials available on record as

well as the affidavits filed on behalf of the respondent Nos. 1 & 5.

Having considered the above, we find that the prayer for direction to investigate over the Money Laundering act of APPSC Cash for Job Scam has been duly redressed. Therefore, no issue remains to be determined in this present proceeding.

In view of above, the present petition is closed and disposed of.

Needless to observed that the respondent authorities shall bring the investigation to its logical conclusion.

JUDGE

Comparing Assistant