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HIGH COURT OF MEGHALAYA
AT SHILLONG

MC(PIL) No. 2 of 2025

Date of order: 28.07.2025

Meghalaya and Greater Shillong Progressive Hawkers and Street Vendors Association represented by its General Secretary Shri Shane Thabah
.....**Applicant**

- versus -

1. Shri Andrew Aibok Jyrwa
2. The State of Meghalaya represented by the Chief Secretary, Government of Meghalaya.
3. The Commissioner and Secretary, Urban Affairs Department, Government of Meghalaya Shillong, Meghalaya.
4. The Director General of Police, Meghalaya, East Khasi Hills District, Pin-793001, Shillong.
5. The Superintendent of Police (Traffic), East Khasi Hills District, Pin-793001, Shillong
6. The Deputy Commissioner, East Khasi Hills District, Shillong, Meghalaya.
7. The Shillong Municipal Board represented by its Chief Executive Officer, Shillong.
8. The Town Vending Committee, Shillong, East Khasi Hills District, Shillong, Meghalaya.
...**Respondents**
9. Shillong Roadside Hawkers Association, represented by Working President, having its registered office at Gita Bhavan, Thana Road, Shillong.
...**Proforma Respondent**

Coram:

Hon'ble Mr. Justice I.P. Mukerji, Chief Justice
Hon'ble Mr. Justice W. Diengdoh, Judge



Appearance:

For the Petitioner : Mr P. Yobin, Adv

For the Respondents : Mr N. Syngkon, Adv [for R1]
Mrs T. Yangi B., AAG with
Mr K.P. Bhattacharjee, GA [for R2-6]
Mr Philemon Nongbri, Adv [for R7]

i)	Whether approved for reporting in Law journals etc.:	Yes/No
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ii)	Whether approved for publication in press:	Yes
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Note: For proper public information and transparency, any media reporting this judgment is directed to mention the composition of the bench by name of judges, while reporting this judgment/order.

Mrs. Yangi, learned Additional Advocate General submits before this Court that the government has kept its promise of relocating the licensed vendors in police bazar to the newly designated vending areas, by 22nd July, 2025 which was the stipulated date.

Mr Yobin, learned Advocate appearing for the vendors' Association does not contradict this submission. Nevertheless, he submits that the licences of some of the vendors have been wrongfully revoked and hence, they could not be relocated.

The subject-matter of this application was for modification of our earlier order granting limited time to licensed vendors to vend from police bazar. It was said that this restricted timing was affecting their business. In those circumstances, we enlarged the time permitting them to vend in



the said area. At the same time, the government and public authorities assured the Court that the licensed vendors would be relocated by 22nd July, 2025.

Since that goal has been achieved, nothing remains in this application.

Some additional issues like the one raised by Mr. Yobin noted above and the question of relocation of licensed vendors from other crowded public places to designated vending areas and eviction of unlicensed and unauthorised vendors from those places and all other related or ancillary issues shall be considered when we take up the main public interest litigation for further consideration on 5th August, 2025. List accordingly.

MC(PIL) No. 2 of 2025 is disposed of.

(W. Diengdoh)
Judge

(I.P. Mukerji)
Chief Justice