

REPORTABLE

Sl. No. 11-16

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF MANIPUR
AT IMPHAL**

W.A. No. 25 of 2025

Shri Hem Sagar Uprety, aged about 58 years old, S/o Hari Prasad Uprety, a resident of Parsain, Senapati, P.O. Kalapahar & P.S. Kangpokpi, Kangpokpi District, Manipur - 795122.

Appellant

Vs.

- 1.** The Union of India represented by its Secretary, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Transport Bhawan, 1, Parliament Street New Delhi-110001, Government of India.
- 2.** The Deputy Commissioner/District Collector, Kangpokpi District having its office at DC Office Complex, Kangpokpi, P.O. & P.S. Thoubal Manipur - 795138.
- 3.** The National Highway and Infrastructure Development Corporation NHIDCL, represented by its General Manager (T) having its office at NHIDCL, HQ, 3rd Floor PTI Building, 4 Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001.
- 4.** The General Manager (P), Branch Office, Imphal, The National Highway and Infrastructure Development Corporation (NHIDCL), having its Office, at 2nd Floor, Transit Hostel Officer's Club, Lamphelpat, P.O. & P.S. Lamphel, Imphal West, Manipur-795004.

Respondents

With

MC (W.A.) No. 56 of 2025

Shri Hem Sagar Uprety, aged about 58 years old, S/o Hari Prasad Uprety, a resident of Parsain, Senapati, P.O. Kalapahar & P.S. Kangpokpi, Kangpokpi District, Manipur - 795122.

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Respondents

**With
MC [W.P. (C)] No. 327 of 2025**

Shri Hem Sagar Uprety, aged about 58 years old, S/o Hari Prasad Uprety, a resident of Parsain, Senapati, P.O. Kalapahar & P.S. Kangpokpi, Kangpokpi District, Manipur - 795122.

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Respondents

**With
MC [W.P. (C)] No. 590 of 2025**

Shri Hem Sagar Uprety, aged about 58 years old, S/o Hari Prasad Uprety, a resident of Parsain, Senapati, P.O. Kalapahar & P.S. Kangpokpi, Kangpokpi District, Manipur - 795122.

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Respondents

**With
WP (C) No. 348 of 2025**

Shri Hem Sagar Uprety, aged about 58 years old, S/o Hari Prasad Uprety, a resident of Parsain, Senapati, P.O. Kalapahar & P.S. Kangpokpi, Kangpokpi District, Manipur - 795122.

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Respondents

**With
W.P. (C) No. 630 of 2025**

Shri Hem Sagar Uprety, aged about 58 years old, S/o Hari Prasad Uprety, a resident of Parsain, Senapati, P.O. Kalapahar & P.S. Kangpokpi, Kangpokpi District, Manipur - 795122.

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Respondents

BEFORE

**HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MR. M. SUNDAR
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AHANTHEM BIMOL SINGH**

For appellant in W.A. No. 25 of 2025	Mr. Syed Murtaza Ahmed along with Mr. Md. Abdul Baqee Khan, Advocates
For respondents in W.A. No. 25 of 2018	Mr. W. Darakeshwar, Senior Panel Counsel for Central Government (Sr. PCCG) for respondent Nos. 1, 3 & 4 Mr. W. Niranjit, Deputy Government Advocate for respondent No. 2, led by Mr. Lenin Hijam, Senior Advocate and Advocate General for State of Manipur
For applicant in MC (W.A.) No. 56 of 2025	Mr. Syed Murtaza Ahmed along with Mr. Md. Abdul Baqee Khan, Advocates
For respondents in MC (W.A.) No. 56 of 2025	Mr. W. Darakeshwar, Senior Panel Counsel for Central Government (Sr. PCCG) for respondent Nos. 1, 3 & 4 Mr. W. Niranjit, Deputy Government Advocate for respondent No. 2, led by Mr. Lenin Hijam, Senior Advocate and Advocate General for State of Manipur

For applicant in MC [W.P. (C)] No. 327 of 2025	Mr. Syed Murtaza Ahmed along with Mr. Md. Abdul Bagee Khan, Advocates
For respondents in MC [W.P. (C)] No. 327 of 2025	Mr. W. Darakeshwar, Senior Panel Counsel for Central Government (Sr. PCCG) for respondent Nos. 1, 3 & 4 Mr. W. Niranjit, Deputy Government Advocate for respondent No. 2, led by Mr. Lenin Hijam, Senior Advocate and Advocate General for State of Manipur
For applicant in MC [W.P. (C)] No. 590 of 2025	Mr. Syed Murtaza Ahmed along with Mr. Md. Abdul Bagee Khan, Advocates
For respondents in MC [W.P. (C)] No. 590 of 2025	Mr. W. Darakeshwar, Senior Panel Counsel for Central Government (Sr. PCCG) for respondent Nos. 1, 4 & 5 Mr. W. Niranjit, Deputy Government Advocate for respondent Nos. 2 & 3, led by Mr. Lenin Hijam, Senior Advocate and Advocate General for State of Manipur
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For petitioner in W.P. (C) No. 630 of 2025	Mr. Syed Murtaza Ahmed along with Mr. Md. Abdul Bagee Khan, Advocates
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Date of Judgment & Order	28.04.2026

COMMON JUDGMENT AND ORDER
(ORAL)

(M. Sundar, CJ)

[1] This common order will now dispose of/govern the captioned cluster of matters.

[2] In the captioned cluster of matters, there is one 'Writ Appeal' ('WA' for the sake of brevity), two 'Writ Petitions' ('WPs' in plural and 'WP' in singular for the sake of convenience) and three 'Miscellaneous Cases' ('MCs' in plural and 'MC' in singular for the sake of convenience).

[3] In this order, presence of counsel before this Court is recorded referring to the ranks of the parties they represent, as in the WA.

[4] Mr. Syed Murtaza Ahmed and Mr. Md. Abdul Bagee Khan, learned counsel on record for sole appellant, Mr. W. Darakeshwar, learned Senior Panel Counsel for Central Government (Sr. PCCG) for respondent Nos. 1, 3 & 4 and Mr. W. Niranjit, learned State counsel for respondent No. 2, led by Mr. Lenin Hijam, learned senior advocate and Advocate General for State of Manipur are before this Court. Mr. Mahesh Chaudhari, Deputy Commissioner, Kangpokpi District and Mr. Mayanglambam Rajkumar Singh, Deputy Commissioner, Imphal West District are present in Court assisting learned State counsel, Mr. W. Niranjit.

[5] When the captioned cluster of matters were last listed before this Division Bench on 31.03.2026, the following proceedings was made:

'31.03.2026

[1] *In the hearing today, Mr. N. Jotendro, learned senior advocate instructed by Mr. Abdul Bagee Khan and Mr. Murtaza Ahmed, learned*

counsel on record for writ appellant is before this Court. To be noted, writ appellant, Mr. Hem Sagar Uprety is present in Court along with his counsel on record.

[2] *On the side of respondents, Mr. W. Darakishwor, learned Senior Panel Counsel for Central Government (Sr. PCCG) for respondent Nos. 1,3 & 4 and Mr. W. Niranjit, learned State counsel for respondent No.2 (The Deputy Commissioner/District Collector, Kangpokpi District, Manipur) are present in the physical Court.*

[3] *In sum and substance, the writ appellant contends that he has been given Jamabandi (this Court is informed that this is a patta under Manipur Land Revenue and Land Reforms Act, 1960). There are two jamabandis and the same pertain to two parcels of land which we are informed are contiguous, these 'two parcels of land are comprised in 3(three) Dag numbers namely, 'Dag No. 1269, 1270/1502 and 1278/1283' all situate in 031 Kanglatombi Village, Sekmei Tehsil, Lamsang Sub-Division Imphal West District' ('said lands' for the sake of convenience and clarity). According to photocopies of the jambandis placed before this Court and submissions of learned counsel for writ appellant made on instructions from writ appellant who is present in Court, the land extent vide first two Dag numbers namely, Dag No. 1269, 1270/1502 admeasures 0.05917 hectare (0.1462 acres). In this regard, there is a typographical error in the English*

translation which reads as '0.01462' acre, for which learned counsel for appellant expresses regret. As regards the 3rd Dag number viz., 1278/1283, the extent of land is 0.01012 hectare (0.025 acre). It is contended that writ appellant has put up two separate super structures (residential houses in said lands in 1992 and his three daughters and one son are living there).

[4] *The case of the appellant is that said lands are to be acquired for proposed alignment of four lane 'National Highways Project connecting Kanglatombi and Kangpokpi' ('said Project' for the sake of convenience and clarity).*

[5] *A photograph of the two residential houses (photograph taken with GPS Map Camera) has been placed before this Court by learned counsel for appellant and a scanned reproduction of the same is as follows:*



[6] As regards the respondents, learned State counsel submits that 'National Highways Act, 1956 (48 of 1956)' {'said Act' for the sake of convenience and clarity} comes into play but both learned State counsel are unable to decisively tell us about whether acquisition proceedings have been initiated and if yes, what is the stage of acquisition proceedings?. In this regard, it is deemed appropriate to record that a sheet of paper produced by the appellant {Annexure A/ 5 of WP(C) No.348 of 2025} talks about final award amount. This sheet of paper is a tabulation and according to writ appellant serial Nos. 218 and 219 thereat which refers to lands comprised in Survey No. 2163 is a reference to said lands. There is no Dag number in this sheet and therefore, we refrain from expressing any opinion on this submission at this juncture.

[7] In the light of narrative thus far, we deem it appropriate to direct learned State counsel to produce entire records pertaining to said lands including record pertaining to acquisition or any other proceedings, if any. In this regard, we also deem it appropriate to direct the Deputy Commissioner, Imphal West District, Manipur and Deputy Commissioner, Kangpokpi District, Manipur to be present in Court in the next listing, obviously, with the records and assist the learned State counsel. To be noted, while writ appellant has chosen to array Deputy Commissioner, Kangpokpi District, Manipur as respondent No.2, learned State counsel submits that the records are with Deputy Commissioner, Imphal West District, Manipur. Therefore, we deem it appropriate to direct both Deputy Commissioners to be present in Court. This Court is constrained to requisition presence of officers as affidavit-

in-opposition of respondent No.2 is bereft of critical particulars and learned State Counsel unable to give requisite details regarding acquisition (if there is one). Let them remain present in Court (physical Court) in the next listing which will be on 28.04.2026.

[8] *List on 28.04.2026.'*

[6] The afore-referred proceedings shall now be read as an integral part and parcel of instant order. This also means that some of the abbreviations, short forms and short references used in the afore-referred earlier proceedings shall continue to be used in the instant proceedings also.

[7] The captioned matters were mentioned stating that Deputy Commissioner, Kangpokpi District, has to travel back and his presence in his station today has become imperative owing to certain administrative exigencies. In this scenario, with the consent of all the afore-referred counsel, the captioned matters were taken up.

[8] Before proceeding further, this Court deems it appropriate, for the sake of completion of facts, to record some more aspects of the factual matrix which will be in addition to those captured in the earlier proceedings dated 31.03.2026. To be noted, parties will be referred either by name/designation or rank in the WA for the sake of convenience and clarity. As regards said lands and acquisition for said project, writ appellant had sent three representations dated 14.04.2024, 03.02.2025 and

10.02.2025; that writ appellant filed W.P. (C) No. 348 of 2025 on 24.04.2025 inter alia with a prayer to not to make any developmental activities *qua* said project pending the three representations and until the three representations are disposed of as per order of a Hon'ble Single Judge of this Court being order dated 18.02.2025 made in W.P. (C) No. 128 of 2025 along with MC [W.P. (C)] No. 124 of 2025 thereat; that in this W.P. (C) No. 348 of 2025, writ appellant took out an MC in MC [W.P. (C)] No. 327 of 2025 with a prayer to maintain status quo *qua* said lands till disposal of the writ petition; that in this MC, a Hon'ble Single Judge made an order dated 28.04.2025 wherein and whereby the Single Bench did not accede to the interim prayer for status quo but made it clear that if said lands are affected by expansion *qua* said project and if the matters are ultimately decided in favour of writ appellant by the Deputy Commissioner Kangpokpi District, the writ appellant will be eligible for compensation as per statutory provisions; that writ appellant not satisfied with this 28.04.2025 interim order, has preferred the captioned intra court appeal, viz., W.A. No. 25 of 2025 and to be noted, W.A. No. 25 of 2025 has been filed in this Court on 12.05.2025; that thereafter, the three representations sent by writ appellant being representations dated 14.04.2025, 03.02.2025 and 10.02.2025 came to be disposed of by the Deputy Commissioner, Kangpokpi District in and *vide* an order dated 04.07.2025 bearing Reference No. DC (KPI) 10/1/2016; that in and *vide* order dated 04.07.2025, the Deputy Commissioner, Kangpokpi District, inter alia held

that certain extent of lands referred to in the representation by the writ appellant are lying outside the said project and as regards other extent i.e., lands cited as serial Nos. 218 and 219 in a published list, compensation amount has been deposited into the account concerned and writ appellant can claim the same by submitting required documents; that assailing the 04.07.2025 order/proceedings, writ appellant filed another writ petition being W.P. (C) No. 630 of 2025 on 18.08.2025; that in this W.P. (C) No. 630 of 2025, writ appellant besides challenging 04.07.2025 order/proceedings disposing of his representations, also sought for field verification and compensation; that this W.P. (C) No. 630 of 2025 is also one of the captioned cluster of matters having been tagged with other matters; to be noted, W.P. (C) No. 348 of 2025 is also part of the captioned cluster of matters, the same having been tagged with the captioned cluster; that it is in such scenario that the previous proceedings dated 31.03.2026 (extracted and reproduced *supra*) was made by this Division Bench.

[9] Reverting to the proceedings today, all the afore-referred counsel before this Court submitted in one voice in unison that post 31.03.2026 proceedings a joint site inspection/verification/joint survey was held on 20.04.2026 and a report with four Annexures, viz., Annexures A-D was drawn up. A scanned reproduction of the same as placed before

this Court and as agreed to (as a correct report) by all learned counsel before this Court is as follows:



ORDERS

Kangpokpi, 17th April 2026

Subject: **W.P. (C) Nos. 128, 348 & 630 of 2025 and W.A. 25 of 2025**
(Hem Sagar Uprety -vs- Union of India & Ors)

No. DC(KPI)10/1/2016(Pt): In pursuance of discussions held in the office chambers of the Ld. Advocate General, Manipur on 13.04.2026 and Secretary (Land Resources), Government of Manipur on 16.04.2026 and letter No. J-DCIW-1014/44/2025/DC(IW)-IW dated 16th April 2026 received from Addl. Deputy Commissioner, Imphal West District on the above Writ Petition and related court issues, SDO Saitu Gamphazol will lead a team of officials and staffs from DC Office, Kangpokpi and DC Office, Imphal West on Monday, 20th April 2026 for conducting joint field verification of the petitioner's land. In this regard, the following officers and staffs are informed to be present during the joint field verification:

1. Kaikhoseh Kipgen, SDC, DC Office, Kangpokpi
2. Md. Zamilur Rahman, SDC (HQ), DC Office, Imphal West
3. K.G. Kiulemang, SK, SDC Central-I
4. Golmei Meishongpu, Circle Mandol, SDC Salam
5. T. Chhabilal Thapa, Peon, o/o SDC Sekmai
6. B. Gunamani Sharma, Peon, o/o SDC Sekmai
7. Md. Riyaz Khan, Peon, o/o SDC Lamphel

SDO Saitu Gamphazol shall coordinate and supervise the field inspection and is instructed to submit a detailed report in this regard latest by Wednesday, 22nd April 2026.

All above officers and staffs are informed to report to SDO Saitu Gamphazol at Charhajare on the above-mentioned date at 11:00 a.m.


(Mahesh Chaudhari)
Deputy Commissioner
Kangpokpi
Deputy Commissioner
Kangpokpi District
Manipur

Copy to:

1. Jr. Government Advocate to Ld. Advocate General, Manipur
2. Secretary (Land Resources), Government of Manipur
3. Deputy Commissioner, Imphal West for kind information
4. ADC Kangpokpi & ADC Imphal West for kind Information
5. SDO Saitu Gamphazol to coordinate with SDO Lamshang
6. All officers and staffs concern
7. Shri Hem Sagar Uprety/ representative with instruction to be present during the field inspection
8. Relevant file

GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER: IMPHAL WEST DISTRICT

No.J.DCIW-1014/44/2025/DC(IW)-IW,

Imphal the 23rd April,2026

To

The Deputy Commissioner,
Kangpokpi.

Subject W.P.(C) No. 630 of 2025
Hem Sagar Uprety
-Vs-
The Union of India &Ors.

Sir,

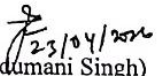
In inviting a reference to the above subject, I am to state that a joint inspection/verification was conducted on 20th April 2026 by a team consisting of officials/representatives of DC Office Kangpokpi, DC Office Imphal West and SDO Saitu Gamphazol as well as EPC Contractor/ officials of NHIDCL.

As per findings of field verification, the Petitioner's land is affected considering the marking on walls of the houses.

The detail of report is enclosed as Annexure for taking further necessary action from the Office of the CALA and acquiring authority.

Enclosed As stated.

Yours faithfully,


(K. Jadumani Singh)
Addl. Deputy Commissioner,
Imphal West.

Copy to:

1. Secretary (Land Resources), Govt. of Manipur.
2. The Sub-Divisional Officer, Lamsang.

In pursuance of Order No. DC(KP)10/1/2016(Pt) dated 17th April 2026 of the Office of the Deputy Commissioner Kangpokpi, a joint inspection/verification was conducted on 20th April 2026 by a team consisting of officials/representatives of DC Office Kangpokpi, DC Imphal West and SDO Saitu Gamphazol as well as EPC Contractor/ officials of NHIDCL. (Attendance sheet enclosed as Annexure C). Shri Syed Murtaza Ahmed, Advocate for the petitioner also present.

In this regards, the following findings were observed by the joint inspection team:

1. As per land records available with SDC Sekmai and also the DPR prepared by NHIDCL, the patta lands of the petitioner under 1007/1050 (New) and 1303/2859 (New) were not affected by the ROW of the NH-02 Expansion.
2. As per land records available with SDC Sekmai, the total area belonging to the petitioner under mother Dag no. 1099 in 31-Kanglatongbi is shown below:

Mother Dag No	Partitioned Dag No	Jamabandi/ patta No. (new)	Land classification	Area of petitioner as per Jamabandi (in acre)
1099	1278/1286	1007/1050	Ingkhol	0.0250
	1269	1303/2859	Ingkhol	0.1050
Total				0.1300

3. As per field verification, there were markings on the properties (wall and house) of the petitioner and as per these markings, the lands of the Petitioner were affected as given below (refer to Annexure A-sketch map):
 - a. 7 ft on the South West and 8.5 ft on the North West of Plot "A" and
 - b. 7.5 ft on the South West and 6.5 ft on the North West of Plot "B"
 - c. The plot between the plots "A" & "B" marked as Plot "C" is also affected.
4. The field markings found in field were not tallied with the ROW map of DPR.
5. The total area found to be affected as per the findings of field inspection in C.S.Dag No.1099 is given below:

Name of Pattadar	C.S.Dag No.	Total Area newly affected	Remark
Hem Sagar Uprety Plot A	1099	317.75 sq ft or 0.0072 acre	The total area found to be affected in respect of petitioner is 674.75 sq ft or 0.0154 acre.
Hem Sagar Uprety Plot B		357 sq ft or 0.0082 acre	
Plot C		202 sq ft or 0.0046 acre	
Total		876.75 sq ft or 0.0201 acre	

The sketch map is enclosed as Annexure A

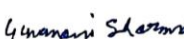
6. A sketch map (not to scale) and combined map indicating the affected land is enclosed herewith as Annexure A and Annexure B respectively for ready reference.
7. Based on the above findings, and as Land acquisition procedure, further appropriate steps may be taken by CALA in co-ordination with NHIDCL.

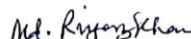

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SDC, DC Office, Kangpokpi


(Md. Zamilur Rahman)
SDC (HQ), DC Office, Imphal West

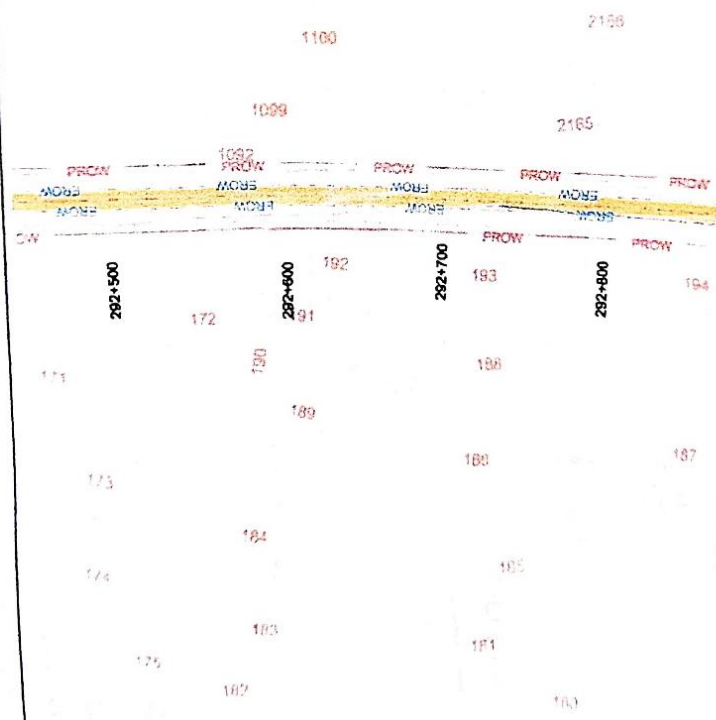

(K.G. Kiulemang)
SK, SDC Central-I


(T. Chhabilal Thapa)
Peon, O/o SDC Sekmai


(B. Gunamani Sharma)
Peon, O/o SDC Sekmai

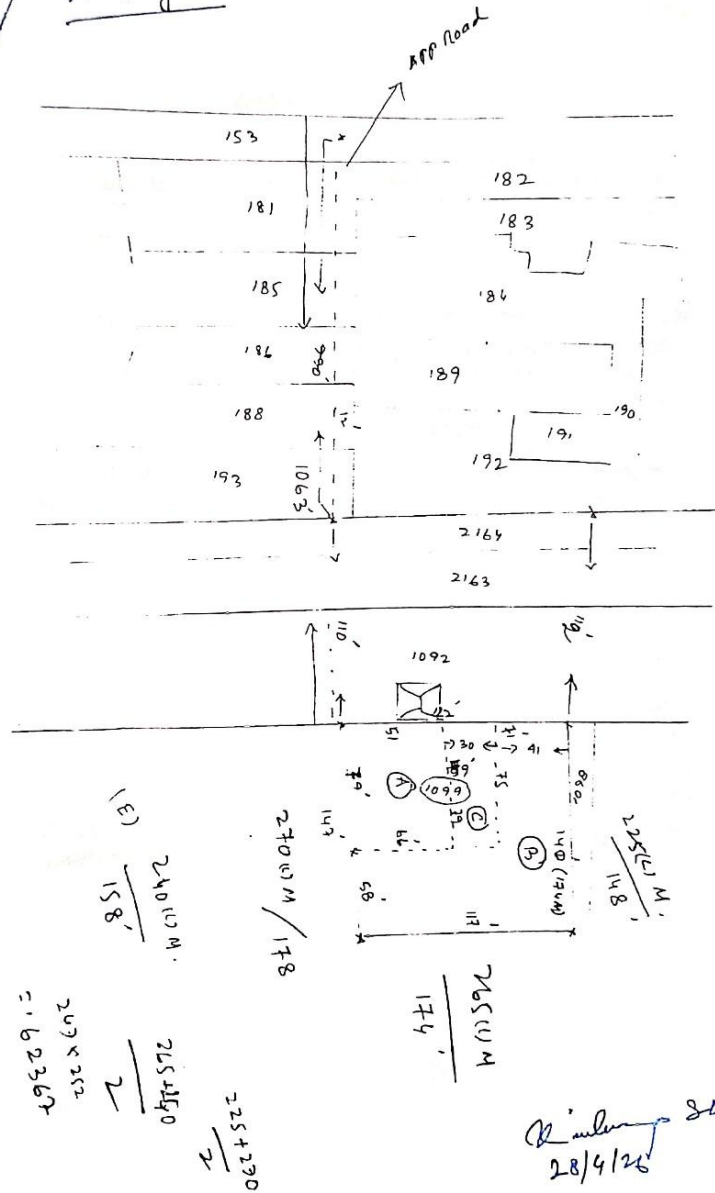

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Peon, O/o SDC Lamphel

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Annexure-B

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GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR
OFFICE OF THE SUB-DIVISIONAL OFFICER: SAITU GAMPHAZOL
KANGPOKPI DISTRICT

NO.SDO(SG)/NH02/PKG5A/2023

Kangpokpi, the 23rd April 2026

To

The Deputy Commissioner
Kangpokpi

Subject: Submission of Joint Inspection Report in connection with W.P. (C)
NOS. 128,348 & 630 of 2025 and W.A. 25 of 2025 (Hem Sagar Uprety-vs-Union
of India & Ors)

Sir,

In pursuance of Order No. DC(KPI)10/1/2016(Pt) dated 17th April 2026 of the
Office of the Deputy Commissioner Kangpokpi on the above cited subject, I am to
state that a joint inspection/verification was conducted on 20th April 2026 consisting
of officials/representatives of DC Office Kangpokpi, SDO Saitu Gamphazol and SDO
Lamsang as well as EPC Contractor/officials of NHIDCL.

The details of the joint inspection report along with relevant documents are
enclosed herewith for kind information and further necessary action.

Enclosed: As stated above.

Yours Sincerely,



(Paotinsel Kipgen)

Sub-Divisional Officer

Saitu Gamphazol, Kangpokpi

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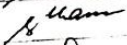
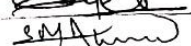
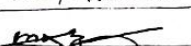
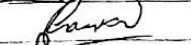
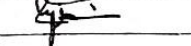
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Annexure - C

 JOINT FIELD INSPECTION/VERIFICATION WITH RESPECT TO NH-02 EXPANSION
 (IMPHAL-KOHIMA ROAD) UNDER PARAGRAPH 5A IN CONNECTION WITH W.P.(C) NOS.
 128,348 & 630 OF 2025 AND W.A.25 OF 2025 (HEM SAGAR UPRETY-VS-UNION OF
 INDIA & ORS) ON 20th APRIL 2026

ATTENDANCE SHEET:

Sl.No.	Name	Designation	Signature
01.	Paotinsei Kipgen	SDO Saitu Gamphazol	
02.	S.L. Kamthohao	Add. SI (LRO) KPI	
03.	Mr. Hefajuddin	SDO Bungle Chiru	
04.	Mr. Zamilus Rahman	SDCCWA-1W	
05.	K.G. Kumbhlang	SK	
06.	Mr. Rinzang Khan	PCW	
07.	Chhabila Thapa	PCW	
08.	Gurman Singh Sharma	PCW	
09.	Lumintlang Kipgen	SK	
10.	Sangeet Kumar	Senior Assistant Advocate for Petitioners	
11.	Syed Murtaga Ahmed		
12.	NIHAL RAZA	HIGHWAY EMG.G	
13.	Chandra Ranbaj	PCW, Allene infra	
14.	Kaikkhoze Kipgen	SDC, Kangpokpi	

(Paotinsei Kipgen)

Sub-Divisional Officer

Saitu-Gamphazol, Kangpokpi
 Sub-Divisional Officer
 Saitu-Gamphazol

JOINT INSPECTION REPORT

In pursuance of Order No. DC(KPI)10/1/2016(Pt) dated 17th April 2026 of the Office of the Deputy Commissioner Kangpokpi, a joint inspection/verification was conducted on 20th April 2026 by a team consisting of officials/representatives of DC Office Kangpokpi, DC Imphal West and SDO Saitu Gamphazol as well as EPC Contractor/officials of NHIDCL.

(Attendance sheet enclosed as Annexure C). Shri Syed Murtaza Ahmed, Advocate for the petitioner also present.

In this regards, the following findings were observed by the joint inspection team:

1. As per land records available with SDC Sekmai and also the DPR prepared by NHIDCL, the patta lands of the petitioner under 1007/1050 (New) and 1303/2859 (New) were not affected by the ROW of the NH-02 Expansion.
2. As per land records available with SDC Sekmai, the total area belonging to the petitioner under mother Dag no. 1099 in 31-Kanglatongbi is shown below:

Mother Dag No	Partitioned Dag No	Jamabandi/ patta No. (new)	Land classification	Area of petitioner as per Jamabandi (in acre)
1099	1278/1286	1007/1050	Ingkhol	0.0250
	1269	1303/2859	Ingkhol	0.1050
	Total			0.1300

3. As per field verification, there were markings on the properties (wall and house) of the petitioner and as per these markings, the lands of the Petitioner were affected as given below (refer to Annexure A-sketch map):

- a. 7 ft on the South West and 8.5 ft on the North West of Plot "A" and
- b. 7.5 ft on the South West and 6.5 ft on the North West of Plot "B"
- c. The plot between the plots "A" & "B" marked as Plot "C" is also affected.

4. The field markings found in field were not tallied with the ROW map of DPR.
5. The total area found to be affected as per the findings of field inspection in C.S.Dag No.1099 is given below:

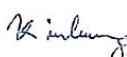
Name of Pattadar	C.S.Dag No.	Total Area newly affected	Remark
Hem Sagar Uprety Plot A	1099	317.75 sq ft or 0.0072 acre	The total area found to be affected in respect of petitioner is 674.75 sq ft or 0.0154 acre.
Hem Sagar Uprety Plot B		357 sq ft or 0.0082 acre	
Plot C		202 sq ft or 0.0046 acre	
Total		876.75 sq ft or 0.0201 acre	

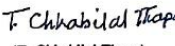
The sketch map is enclosed as Annexure A

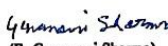
6. A sketch map (not to scale) and combined map indicating the affected land is enclosed herewith as Annexure A and Annexure B respectively for ready reference.
7. Based on the above findings, and as Land acquisition procedure, further appropriate steps may be taken by CALA in co-ordination with NHIDCL.

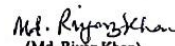

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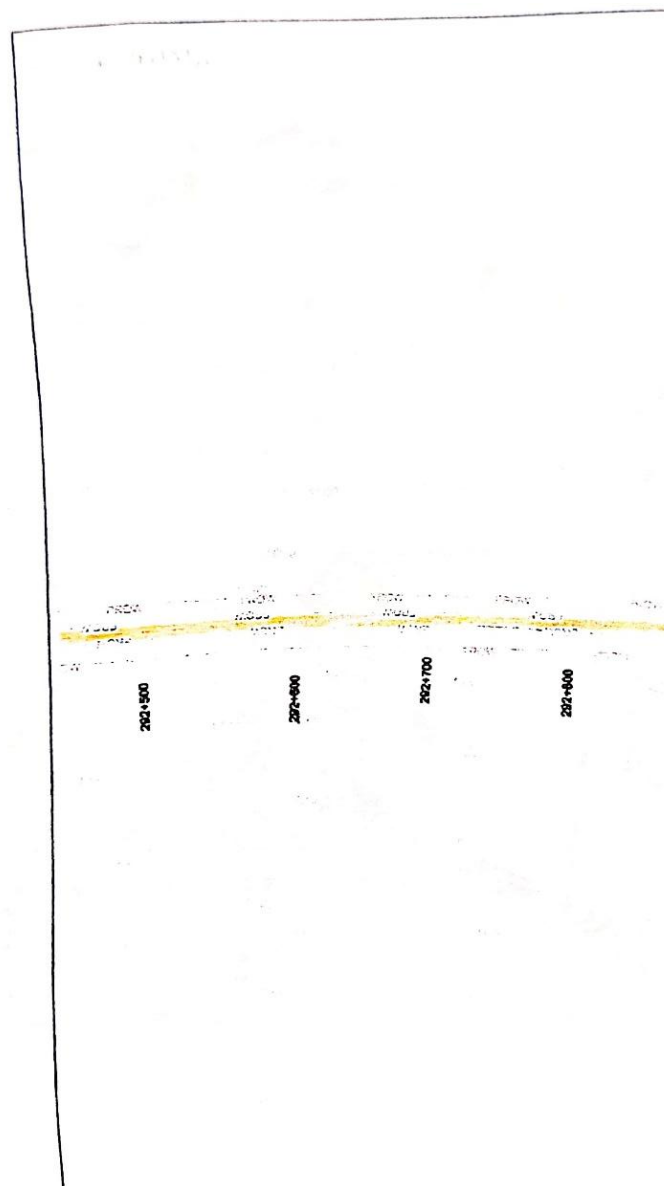
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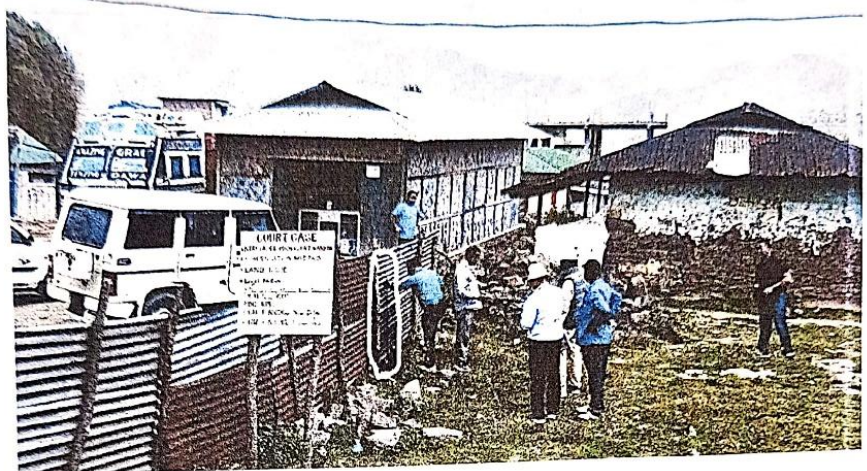
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ANNEXURE -- D





[10] Thereafter, learned counsel for appellant, Mr. Syed Murtaza Ahmed and Mr. W. Darakeshwar, learned Sr. PCCG for respondent Nos. 1, 3 & 4, to be noted, respondent Nos. 3 & 4, for all practical purposes is 'National Highways and Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited' ('NHIDCL' for the sake of convenience) submitted that they are fully satisfied with the afore-referred joint inspection/joint survey, afore-referred report that has been drawn up and the findings thereat. In this regard, it is necessary to record that Mr. Syed Murtaza Ahmed, learned counsel for appellant, submits that he was present during the joint inspection on behalf of writ appellant with due mandate from writ

appellant and wife of writ appellant, Ms. Tika Devi Upreti was also present throughout the inspection. As regards NHIDCL, Mr. W. Darakeshwar, learned Sr. PCCG, submits that officials/officers of NHIDCL namely, Mihal Raza and Gaurav Ranbaj were present throughout the joint inspection/joint survey and on instructions, he submits that the survey report is acceptable and the land found to be necessary (in so far as writ appellant is concerned) is, for the present, sufficient for said project.

[11] As regards State counsel, Mr. W. Niranjit, who is led by Mr. Lenin Hijam, learned Advocate General for State of Manipur, submitted on instructions from the afore-referred two Deputy Commissioners and all others concerned that appropriate land acquisition proceedings will be initiated under said Act, i.e., National Highways Act, 1956 (48 of 1956) as regards the land i.e., identified land as required for said project in so far as writ appellant's land is concerned, being land ad measuring 674.75 square feet which this Court is informed is equivalent to 0.0154 acres in CS Dag No. 1099 in 031 Kanglatombi Village, Sekmai Tehsil Lamshang Sub Division, Imphal West District. As regards stated position of the parties captured and set out supra, Mr. Syed Murtaza Ahmed, learned counsel on record for writ appellant, learned State counsel, Mr. W. Niranjit and Mr. W. Darakeshwar, learned Sr. PCCG for respondent Nos. 1, 3 & 4 (more particularly counsel for NHIDCL which is requisitioning body *qua* land

acquisition proceedings, made suitable endorsements in the case file and scanned reproduction of the endorsements are as follows:

- Print
- ① I Syed Murtaza Ahmed (Advocate & conducting counsel for the Appellant/petitioner) "endorsed and fully satisfied with the joint inspection/verification. I was also mandated by the Appellant himself Mrs. Tiba Devi Upadhyay, the wife of the Appellant also present on 20/4/2026. Syed Murtaza Ahmed 28/4/2026.
 2. J. W. Niranjit Singh, Deputy Government Advocate. endorsed that land acquisition proceeding will be initiated as per the joint inspection/verification dated 20-04-2026 under National Highway Act, 1956. W. Niranjit Singh Dy. Govt. A. 28-04-26.
 3. J. W. Durrat Hasan Singh, senior panel counsel for central Govt. appearing/representing NH&DL endorsed that I am fully satisfied, a joint inspection/verification carried out by the official of NH&DL in coordination with the local police, involved with the Advt. Council for the purpose. J. W. Durrat Hasan Singh 28.4.2026.

[12] For the sake of specificity, we make a broad adumbration of points that have emerged by consensus:

- (i) Appellant represented by his counsel on record, Mr. Syed Murtaza Ahmed and Mr. Md. Abdul Baqee Khan are fully satisfied with the joint inspection/joint survey and are wholly satisfied with the report drawn up and findings thereat pursuant to inspection on 20.04.2026

(to be noted, the report has been scanned and reproduced supra);

- (ii) NHIDCL submits that the afore-referred 674.75 square feet equivalent to 0.0154 acres in CS DAG No. 1099 in 031 Kanglatombi Village, Sekmai Tehsil Lamshang Sub Division, Imphal West District now identified as regards writ appellant will suffice in so far as writ appellant is concerned for said project;
- (iii) State counsel Mr. W. Niranjit led by Mr. Lenin Hijam, learned Advocate General for State of Manipur, submits that as regards afore-referred land identified now, the same is private land belonging to writ appellant and therefore land acquisition proceedings under National Highways Act, 1956 (48 of 1956) will be commenced by putting writ appellant on notice, following the statutory procedure and Rules thereunder strictly and give compensation to writ appellant in accordance with the statute and the Rules thereunder.

[13] As we have requisitioned the personal appearance of the Deputy Commissioners of Kangpokpi District and Imphal West District and as they are present today, they stand discharged from captioned proceedings.

[14] In the light of the narrative thus far, the long-drawn proceedings in this Court *vide* captioned matters, namely, one WA, two WPs and three MCs are given a closure, the same are disposed of as closed on above terms. There shall be no order as to costs.

JUDGE

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