

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

Cont.Cas(C) No. 152 of 2025

Ref:- WA No. 92 of 2023

1. Shri Mayanglambam Chitaranjan Singh, aged about 29 years, S/O (L) M. Inaocha Singh, resident of Kakching Khunou Tampakyum Lai Leikai, P.O. Kakching, P.S. Waikhong, Kakching District, Manipur, Pin – 795103.
2. Khumukcham Anandi Devi, aged about 32 years, W/O Thingnam Shantikumar Singh, resident of Kakching Khunou Thingnam Tarung Leikai, P.O. Kakching, P.S. Waikhong, District Kakching, Manipur, PIN: 795103.

Petitioners

Versus

1. Shri Laishram Nandakumar Singh, IAS, Commissioner/Secretary (Hr. & Tech. Edn) Govt. of Manipur at Babupara, P.O. & P.S. Imphal West, District – Imphal West, Manipur, Pin – 795001.
2. Shri. L. Radhakanta, MCS, Director Higher & Tech. Education, Government of Manipur at Nityai Pat Chuthek, P.O. Imphal, P.S. City, Imphal West District, Manipur. PIN : 795001.
3. Shri O. Binoy Singh, Principal Kakching College, Kakching Khunou, P.O. Kakching & P.S. Waikhong, Kakching District, Manipur – 795103.

Respondents

BEFORE

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

ORDER

(Order of the court was made by M. Sundar, CJ)

10.02.2026

[1] In the captioned contempt case, Mr. K. Roshan, learned counsel on record along with Mr. M. Jonty Roscoe, learned counsel is before this Court on behalf of the two contempt petitioners.

[2] Captioned contempt case has been filed alleging breach of 'order dated 28.07.2025 made in WA No. 92 of 2023 by a Division Bench of this Court' (hereinafter 'said order' for the sake of convenience and clarity).

[3] On 31.10.2025, a Division Bench of this Court issued notice to 'R1' ('first respondent') and 'R2' ('second respondent') in the captioned contempt case.

[4] Today, Mr. W. Niranjit, learned State Counsel for R1 and Mr. L. Sanamacha, learned counsel for R2 are before this Court. As would be evident from the narrative thus far, notice has not been issued to R3.

[5] Be that as it may, all the aforesaid counsel before this Court bring to our notice that said order has been carried to Hon'ble Supreme Court by State vide SLP (Civil) No. 33560/2025, Hon'ble Supreme Court in and by order dated 16.12.2025 has issued notice and also stayed the effect of operation of the said order.

[6] As Hon'ble Supreme Court is seized of the matter and as effect and operation of the said order has been stayed, captioned contempt case is closed albeit making it clear that all the rights and contentions of contempt petitioners are preserved for coming back to this Court by way of fresh contempt case if need arises, which will obviously depend on outcome of the proceedings in Hon'ble Supreme Court.

[7] A scanned reproduction of the afore-referred 16.12.2025 order of Hon'ble Supreme Court is as follows :

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
R E C O R D O F P R O C E E D I N G S

PETITION(S) FOR SPECIAL LEAVE TO APPEAL (C) NO(S). 33589/2025

[Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 28-07-2025 in WA No. 92/2023 passed by the High Court of Manipur at Imphal]

THE STATE OF MANIPUR & ANR.

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

MAYANGLAMBAM CHITARANJAN SINGH & ORS.

Respondent(s)

FOR ADMISSION

Date : 16-12-2025 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MANOJ MISRA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE UJJAL BHUYAN

For Petitioner(s) : Mr. Pukhranbam Ramesh Kumar, AOR
Mr. Karun Sharma, Adv.
Ms. Anupama Ngangon, Adv.
Ms. Rajkumari Divyasana, Adv.

For Respondent(s) : Mr. N Devananda Singh, Sr. Adv.
Mr. David Ahongsangbam, Adv.
Mr. Mohan Singh, Adv.
Mr. Ashlikumar Athokpan, Adv.
Mr. Rahul Kumar, Adv.
Ms. Rajkumari Banju, AOR

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

1. The submission of the learned counsel for the petitioner is that the respondents were appointed after the cut-off date 17.12.2016 and, therefore, were not eligible under Rule 3(i)(a) of the Manipur Civil Service (Appointment and other service conditions of employees of Government Aided/Private Institutions taken over by the Government) Rules, 1981.

2. Issue notice, returnable in six weeks.

In the meantime, the effect and operation of the order of the High Court shall remain stayed.

(KAVITA PAHUJA)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(SAPNA BARSAI)
COURT MASTER (NSH)

[8] In the light of the narrative thus far, captioned contempt case is disposed of as closed albeit with preservation of rights and contentions of the contempt petitioners and obviously the respondents also in the aforesaid order.

[9] There shall be no order as to costs.

JUDGE

CHIEF JUSTICE

FR/NFR

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