



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

Tr.P.(C) No. 7 of 2025

In Re: Letter No. 10/1/2025-DJ(SPT)/1024 dated: the 6th October,
2025 of the Sr. Sheristadar, District & Sessions Court, Senapati.

Registrar General, High Court of Manipur.

...Petitioner

- Versus -

1. Nguljalal Kipgen S/o (L) Mangpithang Kipgen R/o House No. 26
Tujang Part II, Tujang PT, II, Kangpokpi, Kalapahar, Manipur
795122.
2. Lhingneikim Kipgen D/o (L) Mangithang Kipgen R/o Kangpokpi
presently residing at Ward No. 3 (N.J Thangboi Residence).

...Respondents

BEFORE

HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MR. M. SUNDAR

For petitioner	Mr. Wahengbam Jamon Singh, Advocate
For respondent No. 2	Ms. Babysonia, Advocate
Date of Order	10.09.2026

ORDER

[1] Instant order will now dispose of the captioned transfer petition.

[2] The following abbreviations/short forms have been used in this order
(for the sake of brevity, convenience and clarity):

Sl. No.	Abbreviation/Short Form/other short references	Full Form/Expansion
1.	said Trial Court.	Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate [CJM/Civil Judge Senior Division (CJSD)], Senapati
2	said Suit	O.S. No. 1 of 2025 on the file of said Trial Court
3.	said First Appellate Court	Court of District Judge, Senapati, Manipur
4.	said Misc. Appeal	Misc. Appeal No. 3 of 2025 on the file of said First Appellate Court
5.	CPC	The Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 (5 of 1908)
6.	R1	first respondent
7.	R2	second respondent

[3] In the hearing today, Mr. W. Jamon Singh, learned counsel on record for the protagonist of the captioned transfer petition and Ms. N. Babysonia, learned counsel on record for R2 are before this Court.

[4] Captioned transfer petition became necessary owing to a judicial order dated 06.10.2025 made by said First Appellate Court in said Misc. Appeal and a scanned reproduction of the same is as follows:



IN THE COURT OF DISTRICT JUDGE, SENAPATI, MANIPUR

MISC. APPEAL NO. 3 OF 2025

Ref.: (1) Judicial Misc. Case No. 21 of 2025. (2) O.S. No. 1 of 2025

Nguljalal Kipgen S/o (L) Mangpithang Kipgen R/o House No. 26 Tujang
Part II, Tujang PT, II, Kangpokpi, Kalapahar, Manipur 795122
... **Appellant/Plaintiff**

-Versus-

Lhingneikim Kipgen D/o (L) Mangpithang Kipgen R/o Kangpokpi
presently residing at Ward No. 3 (N.J Thangboi Residence)
... **Defendant**

EXTRACT COPY OF ORDER

06.10.2025

Parties present by respective Counsels.

Undesirable circumstances has arisen after the Court passed status quo order on 11.09.2025 which warrants transfer of the appeal from my docket. Immediately after the Court passed the status quo order, the defendant approached people known to me to influence the outcome of this appeal. She had also cast aspersions upon my conduct as a Judicial Officer, laced with veil threats. As such, it would not be appropriate for me to continue hearing this case. Any order pass by me in such a situation will be viewed with suspicion, and the motives will always be under scrutiny. Judicial integrity and fairness commends that the appeal is heard by another Judge, unaffected by the conduct of the defendant.

Accordingly, the Registrar (Judicial), High Court of Manipur is requested to transfer the matter to another Judge/Court having competent jurisdiction.

In the meantime, to prevent changes in the suit land and the structure upon it, the status quo order over the suit land shall remain in force. Needless to say, both parties are to maintain status quo until the same is vacated/further order is passed in this regard.

Send a copy of this order to the Registrar (Judicial), High Court of Manipur. He is requested to expedite the request at the earliest.

List on 13.10.2025 for appropriate order, or when any directive is received from the Hon'ble High Court, whichever is earlier.


Comm. of Aft. Javit
High Court of Manipur
Imphal (Manipur)

Sd/- 
(Lamkholal Kipgen)
District Judge, Senapati



No. 8/1/2025-DJ(SPT)/1019

Date: 06.10.2025

Copy to:

1. The Registrar (Judicial), High Court of Manipur.


Sr. Sheristadar
District & Sessions Court,
Senapati
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District & Sessions Court,
Senapati

[5] Captioned transfer petition was filed in this Court on 14.11.2025, it was first listed before this Court on 17.11.2025, notice was issued to both respondents (notice returnable by 02.12.2025) and ultimately both respondents had entered appearance as is evident from proceedings made in the listing on 10.02.2026 which reads as follows:

'10.02.2026

Matter mentioned when the Single sitting commenced

Mr. Rustam, learned counsel for transfer petitioner is before this physical Court; Mr. H. Sivarex, learned counsel for R1 is before this Court on V.C. (Video Conferencing) platform; and Ms. Baby Sonia, learned counsel for R2 is before this physical Court.

Learned counsel for R1 & R2 request for an adjournment citing difficulty at their respective ends.

Afore-referred request of respondents for adjournment acceded to.

List on 24.03.2026.'

[6] To be noted, R1 is sole appellant in said Misc. Appeal in said First Appellate Court and R2 is lone respondent in said Misc. Appeal in said First Appellate Court.

[7] After both respondents had entered appearance, there were listings, however proceedings/orders made in the previous listing on 24.08.2026 is of relevance and the same reads as follows:

'24.08.2026

[1] *Read this in conjunction with and in continuation of earlier proceedings made in the previous listing on 28.07.2026 which reads as follows:*

'IN THE HIGH COURT OF MANIPUR

AT IMPHAL

Tr.P.(C) No. 7 of 2025

In Re-Registrar General High Court of Manipur

Petitioner/s

Vrs.

Nguljalal Kipgen & anr.

Respondent/s

BEFORE

HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MR. M. SUNDAR

(ORDER)

28.07.2026

Mr. W. Jamon Singh, learned counsel on record for transfer petitioner is before this Court (physical Court).

To be noted, both respondents have been duly served, they have entered appearance through counsel and names of the counsel (Mr. H. Sivarex for respondent No. 1 and Mr. G. Poushing for respondent No. 2) are duly shown in the cause-list but there is no representation for respondents either in the physical Court or on the Video Conferencing (V.C.) platform. This Court, with the intention of giving opportunity to respondents and learned counsel for respondents deems it appropriate to write that the captioned matter will now stand over to 24.08.2026.

It is made clear that if there is no representation for respondents (either both or one of them), this Court will take up the matter on the basis of the available records, hear out the counsel before this

Court and pass orders if this Court, in the next listing is of the view that such a course is necessary.

Captioned matter is being adjourned albeit with the aforesaid caveat.

List on 24.08.2026.

CHIEF JUSTICE

[2] *Today, Mr. W. Jamon Singh, learned counsel on record for protagonist of captioned Transfer petition is before this Court (physical Court) but today also there is no representation for both respondents either in the physical Court or on the Video Conferencing (VC) platform though names of the counsel for both respondents (Mr. H. Sivarex for R1 and Mr. G. Poushing for R2) are duly shown in the cause list. Though it has been made clear in the afore-referred proceedings made in previous listing that this Court will take up the matter on the basis of available records, hear out the counsel before this Court and pass orders if such a course becomes necessary, with the intention of giving one more opportunity to both respondents and learned counsel for both respondents, let the captioned matter stand over to 10.09.2026.*

[3] *In the next listing, name of the second respondent namely, Lhingneikim Kipgen shall also be shown without merely showing **Mr. Nguljalal Kipgen & Anr.***

[4] *List on 10.09.2026.'*

[8] Today also, there is no representation for R1 [no representation either in physical Court or on the Video Conferencing (V.C.) platform] though name of counsel on record for R1 (H. Sivarex) has been duly shown in the cause-list.

[9] In the light of afore-referred 24.08.2026 proceedings, more particularly 2nd and 3rd paragraphs thereat, this Court proceeded to hear the matter

on the basis of available records after hearing the afore-referred 2(two) counsel before this Court.

[10] It comes to light from the submission of learned counsel for R2 and the proceedings as can be ferreted out from the District Court website, that said Suit itself has since been given a closure recording a settlement between the parties and such closure to said Suit has been given on 16.02.2026 by said Trial Court (pending captioned transfer petition). Download from official E-Court Website as regards this closure is as follows:

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Court of CJM/CJJD Senapati

In The Court Of : CJM/CJSD Senapati

CNR Number : MNSP020000682025

Case Number : Os/0000001/2025

Date : 16-02-2026

Nguljalal Kipgen Versus Lhingneikim Kipgen

Daily Status

Business	Nature of Disposal	Disposal Date
The Plaintiff in person. The Defendant in person. Ld. Counsel for the Plaintiff. Ld. Counsel for the Defendant. Ld. Counsel for the parties have filed a compromise petition on behalf of the parties as per which the parties have decided to settle the matter between them and the disposed as per the terms settled. The Judl. Misc. case is allowed. The terms of the settlement are read over with parties. The parties express their agreement. Accordingly, the case be settled and disposed. Detailed order in separate sheet.	Disposed of	16-02-2026

The detailed judgment as regards closure (as placed before this Court) is as follows:



IN THE COURT OF CIVIL JUDGE SENIOR DIVISION, SENAPATI, MANIPUR,

Judicial Misc Case No. 7 of 2026

Ref: Original Sult. No. 1 of 2025

Mr Nguljalal Kipgen S/o (L) Mangpithang Kipgen R/o House No 26, Tujang,
part II, Tujang Pt. II, kangpokpi, Kalapahar, Manipur-795122

....Plaintiff.

-Vs-

Mrs. Lhingneikim Kipgen, D/o (L) Mangpithang Kipgen R/o Kangpokpi
presently residing at Ward No. 3 (N.J Thangboi residence).

....Defendant.

PRESENT.

Robert Lungdim, Civil Judge (Sr. Division), Senapati.

For the Plaintiff : Ld. L. Khuo Taishya, Adv

For the Defendant : Ld Seikholen Lupho and Ld Golmei Paoshing, Adv.

Date of Hearing: 16/02/2026.

Date of Order: 16/02/2026.

JUDGEMENT & ORDER.

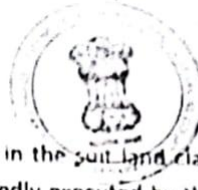
1. This is to consider an application filed by Plaintiff and the Defendant under Order XXIII Rule 3 of Civil Procedure Code for settlement of dispute between the parties.
2. Register it as Judl Misc application no. 7 of 2026
3. Plaintiff is present along with his Counsel Ld. L. Khuo Taishya, Adv.
4. The Defendant is present along with his Counsel Ld Seikholen Lupho and Ld Golmei Paoshing, Adv.
5. The brief case according to the Plaintiff is that the said Suit Land originally belong to Plaintiff's father namely Mangpithang Kipgen, who passed away on 19th June, 2006. After his death, the said land became the property of the present Plaintiff by way of inheritance as he is the eldest son. The Plaintiff has also been in enjoying rent from the suit land. It is the Case of the Plaintiff that in May, 2025 the Defendant without any authority

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CANCELLED

21 APR 2026



dismantled the structures/houses in the suit land claiming ownership on the basis of a gifted deed purportedly executed by the plaintiff himself in favour of the Defendant. It is the Case of the Plaintiff that he never executed any instrument affecting the title of the suit land. Hence, the Case.

6. The case according to the Defendant is that the Suit Land originally belonged to the father of the Plaintiff and the Defendant. And during his lifetime the father of the Plaintiff and the Defendant executed a registered Gift Deed bearing Registration no 766(v) of the Sub Registrar (H.Q), Imphal, Manipur dated 16.05.2002 transferring the portion of the land measuring an area of 0.02 acre out of the suit land to the defendant out of love and affection as early as in the year 2002. The Defendant has been possessing the whole suit land since the year 2002 by constructing building therein and leased out to the tenants and also enjoying the rents thereof. The said father of the Plaintiff and the Defendant during his lifetime orally gifted the remaining portion of the suit land to the Defendant and her name was also mutated in respect of the whole suit land as pattadar and has been paying revenue thereof regularly. The Sub Deputy Collector, DC's Office, Kangpokpi also issued Land ownership certificate dated 09.06.2025 certifying that the Defendant has the suit land (owner of the suit land). It is the case of the Defendant that the Plaintiff never possess or occupied the suit land at any time whatsoever.
7. It is the case of the defendant that the Plaintiff has no right and title over the suit land as it is original owner ie the father of the Plaintiff and the Defendant gifted a portion of the same to her by executing a registered Gift Deed and orally gifting the remaining portion of the whole suit land during his life time and accordingly recorded her name as the Pattadar of the whole plot of land as her father allowed the same.
8. It is the case of the Defendant that the Plaintiff never had any transferable right and title over the suit land. But she had received the suit land as gift from her father who was the original owner of the same by executing registered Gift Deed in respect of the same and the remaining portion of the suit land by way of gift deed. And that she being the landowner and recorded pattadar of the suit land has the absolute right and title to construct any structure in the suit land. And the Defendant further

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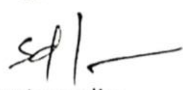
submits that the suit land was gifted by her father by way of registered Gift deed and oral gift and accordingly mutation was done and she has also been possessing the same by constructing her permanent house and building.

9. Heard the submission of the Ld Counsel.
10. During the pendency of the suit the parties have decided to settle the matter between them.
11. The above application has been filed along with the terms of settlement which are as follows:
 - i. That the Petitioner no.2/Defendant shall pay a sum of Rs.10,00,000/- (ten lakhs) only to the Petitioner no.1/Plaintiff for settlement of the present Original Suit no. 1 of 2025 as the land is gifted to the Petitioner no.2/Defendant namely Lhingneikim Kipgen by their father namely late Mangpithang Kipgen during his lifetime through registered Gift Deed being no. 766 (v) dated 16-5-2002 of the Sub Registrar (HQ) Imphal Manipur.
 - ii. That the Petitioner no. 1/Plaintiff agreed to withdraw the Original Suit no. 1 of 2025 which is pending before this Hon'ble Court.
 - iii. That the Petitioner no. 1/Plaintiff agreed that after this agreement the Petitioner no. 1/Plaintiff and his legal heirs, successors, legal representatives, agents, attorneys and assigns/descendants whomsoever will acknowledge that the Petitioner no. 2/Defendant is the rightful owner of the gifted land which is given by her deceased father namely Mangpithang Kipgen during his lifetime.
 - iv. That the Petitioner no. 1/Plaintiff further agreed that after this agreement of settlement he shall not disturb/claim against the Petitioner no. 2/Defendant in future.
12. The terms of settlement are being read over to the parties in the presence of their counsels.
13. Both parties agreed to the terms of the settlement.
14. Accordingly the Plaintiff/ Petitioner no.1 namely Mr. Nguljalal Kipgen forfeits/surrenders any rights/interest over the suit land described in the Schedule A and recognises the Petitioner no. 2/Defendant namely Mrs. Lhingneikim Kipgen as the rightful owner of the suit land gifted to her by her deceased father namely Mangpithang Kipgen.

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15. The concerned revenue authority be approached for any updation/correction in the record of rights, if required.
 16. Accordingly, the case be disposed of in terms of the settlement mentioned above.
 17. Announced in open court.
 18. Prepare decree accordingly.

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Robert Lungdim
Civil Judge Senior Division, Senapati.

Civil Judge
Senior Division, Senapati

Schedule A



The portion of land under Ingkhol Class under Patta no. 40/53 covered by C.S Dag no. 36/148 of Revenue village no. 114 Kangpokpi measuring an area of 0.05 acres (point zero five) which is situated within Kangpokpi Sub Division, Kangpokpi District, Manipur surrounded on the:

North: by the Mission Road
South: by homestead land of Thangtinlal Misao
East: by National Highway no. 2 and
West: by the Mission Road.


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Civil Judge Senior Division, Senapati.

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Senior Division, Senapati

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[11] Learned counsel for R2 submits that nothing survives in the said Misc. Appeal as said Misc. Appeal arises out of an interim order made in a Judl. Misc. case in said Suit and as said Suit itself has now been disposed of/given a

closure on 16.02.2026, as is evident from the e-Court website and the judgment placed before this Court by the learned counsel for R2, that too, by way of a settlement between the parties. Therefore, there is no difficulty in accepting the submission of learned counsel for R2 that the said Misc. Appeal does not survive.

[12] As said Misc. Appeal in said First Appellate Court does not survive, captioned transfer petition has become infructuous.

[13] Before writing the operative portion of instant order, it is made clear that on uploading of instant order in the official website of this Court and/or production of copy of instant order in the said First Appellate Court, said First Appellate Court shall pass suitable orders and give a closure to said Misc. Appeal.

[14] It is also deemed appropriate to write that no prejudice or hardship would be caused to R1 as said suit in which R1 is the plaintiff (to be noted, R2 is the defendant) itself has been given a closure that too by way of a settlement between the parties which has been captured in a judicial order/judgment dated 16.02.2026 which has been scanned and reproduced elsewhere supra in instant order.

[15] Captioned CRP is disposed of as closed, the same having become infructuous. There shall be no order as to costs.

CHIEF JUSTICE

Indrajeet

P.S. I : Upload forthwith
P.S. II : All concerned will stand bound by web copy uploaded in High Court website inter alia as the same is QR coded.
P.S. III : Registry to communicate this order to Court of District Judge, Senapati, Manipur for necessary orders to be made as per contents of instant order.

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