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HIGH COURT OF MEGHALAYA
AT SHILLONG

WP(C). No. 305 of 2020

Date of Order: 09.12.2020

Shri. Sachin Kumar Gupta & 12 Ors. Vs. State of Meghalaya & 11 Ors.

Coram:

Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ranjit More, Judge.

Appearance:

For the Petitioner/Appellant(s) : Mr. N.Syngkon, Adv.

For the Respondent(s) : Mr. A.Kumar, AG with
Mr. A.Kharwanlang, GA.
Ms. R.Colney, GA.

1. The issue involved in this petition is similar to the issue involved in the batch of writ petitions i.e. WP(C). No. 98/2020 and connected petitions, viz regularization of teachers in Government Upper Primary Schools in the State of Meghalaya who were working on adhoc and contractual basis.

2. By the judgment and order dated 05-10-2020, I have dismissed those batch of writ petitions i.e. WP(C). No. 98/2020 and connected petitions by passing a detailed judgment and order.

3. As stated above, the facts of the present case and the facts of the said batch of writ petitions are the same. Petitioners in present petition are also not qualified teachers in a sense that they have not passed the MTET examination and therefore, they are not competent to hold the post of teachers and their services cannot be regularised.

4. Mr. N.Syngkon, learned counsel for the petitioners make a grievance that the State Government within the period of last ten years has held only one MTET examination. Fact remains that the petitioners in this petition had appeared for the said examination held in 2019 and failed. Mr. N.Syngkon further submitted that the State ought to have held more examinations and

given more opportunities to the candidates like the petitioners. Mr. A.Kumar, learned AG, on instruction make a statement that the State will conduct the next MTET examination in the month of March or April 2021. Statement accepted. Needless to mention, the petitioners can appear in this examination.

5. Subject to above, petition is dismissed.

Judge

Meghalaya
09.12.2020
"Samantha PS"

