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Item No. 1

IN THE HIGH COURT OF MANIPUR
AT IMPHAL

WP (C) No. 309 of 2024

Chingkhu Village Development Authority

Petitioner

Vs.

State of Manipur; & Ors.

Respondents

BEFORE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AHANTHEM BIMOL SINGH

21.05.2024

Heard Mr. Th. Mahira, learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and Mr. H. Debendra, learned Deputy AG assisted by Mr. A. Bheigya Meitei, learned counsel appearing for the respondents.

In view of the limited prayer made by the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and as agreed to by both the counsel appearing for the parties, the present writ petition is being disposed of at the motion stage itself.

At the outset, the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that on behalf of the petitioner, an advocate has filed a representation dated 17.11.2023 to 10 (ten) officers of the State Government and that the said representation is kept pending without any consideration. It has further been submitted by the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner that the petitioner will be satisfied for the time being if the present writ petition is disposed of by directing the respondents to consider the said representation on its own merit and in terms of the applicable laws and to dispose of the same by issuing a speaking order within a stipulated period.

Mr. H. Debendra, learned Deputy AG appearing for the respondents fairly submitted that as the prayer made on behalf of the petitioner confines to only consideration and disposal of the representation submitted in its behalf, he has no objection in disposing of the present writ petition as prayed for by the learned counsel appearing for the petitioner.

It has further been submitted by the learned Deputy AG that as the issue involved in the present writ petition concerns with the Forest Department as well as the Revenue Department, it will be fit and proper to direct the Chief Secretary, Govt. of Manipur, to consider the said representation after consulting the concerned Officers of the Government and to dispose of the same in terms of applicable laws within a period of 3 (three) months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this Court.

In view of the submission made by the learned counsel appearing for the parties, the Chief Secretary, Government of Manipur, is hereby directed to consider the said representation dated 17.11.2023 submitted on behalf of the petitioner on its own merit and strictly in terms of applicable laws and to dispose of the same by issuing a speaking order within a period of 3 (three) months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this Court.

With the aforesaid direction, the present writ petition is disposed of.

JUDGE

Sapana