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Item No.85-89

IN THE HIGH COURT OF MANIPUR
AT IMPHAL

MC(WP(C))No.556 of 2024 With
MC(WP(C))No.281 of 2024 With
MC(WP(C))No.365 of 2024 With
WP(C)No.314 of 2024 With
WP(C)No.421 of 2024

Atom Anil Singh & 7 Ors.

…Petitioners

- Versus-

State of Manipur & 3 Ors.

…Respondents

BEFORE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A. GUNESHWAR SHARMA
O R D E R

20.09.2024.

[1] Present Mr. L. Raju, learned counsel on behalf of the writ petitioners, Mr. Th. Sukumar, learned GA on behalf of the State respondents and Mr. AC Themreichan, learned counsel on behalf of MPSC.

[2] By the present writ petitions, the petitioners have challenged the corrigendum dated 26.02.1988 issued by the Department of Personnel & Administrative Reforms, Government of Manipur modifying the qualifying years of service for appointment in the post of Agricultural Officers.

[3] During the pendency of the present petitions, the State Cabinet vide its meeting held on 21.08.2024(agenda No.8) has approved filing up of 51(fifty one) numbers of vacant posts of Agricultural officers amending the existing RR as 100% promotion quota and 2 years regular service by one-time relaxation in place of the 75% Promotion quota & 5 Years regular service for B.Sc Agri/Hort degree holder & 8 years for non B.Sc. Agri/Hort degree holder for promotion

respectively in the RRs of Agriculture Officer, 1988 and the agenda No.8 of the Cabinet decision dated 21.08.2024 is reproduced as follows:

> **"Agenda No.8**. Request to fill up 51(fifty one) nos. of Vacant posts of AO/Equivalent by amending the existing RR as 100% promotion quota and 2 years regular service by one-time relaxation in place of the 75% promotion quota & 5 Years regular service of B.Sc Agri/Hort. degree & 8 years for non B.Sc. Agri/Hort. degree holder for promotion respectively in the RRs of Agriculture Officers, 1988."

[4] Mr. L. Raju, learned counsel appearing for the writ petitioners submits that in view of the decision of the Cabinet, the prayers sought for in the writ petition have become infructuous and he may be permitted to withdraw the present writ petitions in view of the Cabinet decision dated 21.08.2024.

[5] Mr. Th. Sukumar, learned GA for the State respondents and Mr. AC Themreichan, learned counsel on behalf of MPSC have no objection.

[6] Learned counsel appearing for the petitioners submits that the present writ petitions may be closed by giving liberty to approach appropriate forum if one of the time relaxation is not executed.

[7] Recording the submission made the bar and in terms of the Cabinet decision dated 21.08.2024, writ petitions are dismissed as withdrawn with liberty to approach appropriate forum, if so advised.

[8] Pending applications are also closed and interim relief, if any, stands vacated.

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