

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

**WP(C) No.903 of 2023**

Mutum Kumarjit Singh ... Petitioner

-Versus-

State of Manipur & 2 Ors ... Respondents

**BEFORE  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A.GUNESHWAR SHARMA**

24.06.2024

Heard Mr.N.Jotendro, learned senior counsel assisted by Mr.Syed Murtaza Ahmed, learned counsel for the petitioner and Mr.Shyam Sharma, learned Government Advocate for the State respondents.

The petitioner's service was kept under suspension under contemplation of a disciplinary proceeding, however, vide order dated 26.08.2022 passed by this Court in WP(C) No.486 of 2021, the memo of charge of the petitioner and other similarly situated employees were quashed and proceeding was abated and closed. Further, during pendency of the WP(C) No.486 of 2021 the result of the DPC proceeding was kept under sealed cover.

By the present writ petition, petitioner approached this Court for opening of the sealed cover proceeding in terms of the judgment and order dated 26.08.2022 passed by this Court in WP(C) No.486 of 2021. The prayer in the writ petition is reproduced below:

"(i) issue notice:

(ii) issue a writ in the nature of mandamus or any other appropriate writ of the like nature for a direction to the respondents to open the seal cover of the DPC proceedings held for the promotion of the petitioner to the next higher post of MPS Junior Administrative Grade (Non-Functional) which was kept withheld during the pendency of the said Departmental Enquiry proceedings within a time frame in view of the judgment and order dated 26.08.2022 passed in WP(C) No.486 of 2021'

(iii) direct the respondents to release the entitled pensionary benefits of the MPS Junior Administrative Grade (Non-Functional) to the petitioner after opening the seal cover;"

Learned senior counsel for the petitioner also draws attention of this Court to letter dated 13.03.2024 written by the Joint Secretary (DP) Government of Manipur to the Director (Vigilance & Anti-Corruption), where it is stated that Vigilance case against the petitioner was closed. In the counter affidavit, the State respondents sought some more time for implementation of the order dated 26.08.2022.

Mr.Shyam Sharma, learned Government Advocate submits that keeping in view the prevailing situation, prays for three months' time may be granted to the State respondents to comply with the direction passed by this Court in the earlier order dated 26.08.2022 for opening the sealed cover and for other consequential relief to the petitioner.

Mr.N.Jotendro, learned senior counsel for the petitioner has no objection.

Recording the submissions made at the Bar and on perusal of the materials on record, the writ petition is disposed of by directing the State respondents to complete the opening of Sealed

Cover proceedings and grant consequential relief as per the DPC proceedings.

With the above observations, the writ petition is disposed of.

Furnish a copy of this order to learned counsel for the parties.

JUDGE

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