



**Serial No. 53**  
**Regular List**

**HIGH COURT OF MEGHALAYA**  
**AT SHILLONG**

WP(C). No. 442 of 2024

Date of Decision : 02.06.2025

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Shri. Bestis Kharnaioir.

...Petitioner

-Versus-

1. The Khasi Hills Autonomous District Council, represented by its Secretary, Executive Committee, Shillong.
2. The Deputy Chief Executive Member Khasi Hills Autonomous District Council, Shillong.
3. The Executive Member, Khasi Hills Autonomous District Council, Shillong.
4. Shri. Spairen Mawrwein Rangbah Shnong Weiloi Hima Maharam Syiemship East Khasi Hills District Meghalaya.
5. The Syiem Hima Maharam Syiemship, Mawkyrwat, South West Khasi Hills District, Meghalaya.

...Respondents

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**Coram:**

**Hon'ble Mr. Justice H.S.Thangkhiew, Chief Justice (Acting)**

**Appearance:**

For the Petitioner/Applicant(s) : Ms. A.D.Syiem, Adv.  
Ms. B.Rapsang, Adv.

For the Respondent(s) : Mr. S.Thapa, Adv. for R 1-3.  
Mr. B.Khyriem, Adv. for R 4.

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| i)  | Whether approved for reporting in<br>Law journals etc: | Yes/No |
| ii) | Whether approved for publication<br>in press:          | Yes/No |

**JUDGMENT AND ORDER (ORAL)**

1. As has been noted in the other orders of the Executive Committee that have come before this Court, which had been signed by only Member and have been remanded back, this instant matter also suffers from the same defect for non-compliance of Section 31 of the Assam and Meghalaya Autonomous Districts (Constitution of District Councils) Rules, 1951.

2. Accordingly, the impugned order dated 04-09-2024 is set aside and the matter is remanded back to the Executive Committee, KHADC for rehearing afresh. The matter shall be disposed of expeditiously.



3. Writ petition stands closed and disposed of.

**Chief Justice (Acting)**

Meghalaya  
02.06.2025  
"Samantha PS"