Item No. 7

IN THE HIGH COURT OF MANIPUR
AT IMPHAL

W.P.(C) No. 815 of 2026

Thongram Anilkumar Singh

… Petitioner/s

- versus -

State of Manipur & 2 Ors.

... Respondent/s

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A. GUNESHWAR SHARMA

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29.10.2026

[1] Heard Mr. Keisham Kishan, learned counsel appearing for the petitioner.

[2] The petitioner is an applicant for appointment to the post of Assistant Professor on contract basis for one year advertised by notification dated 26.03.2021. 145 posts were advertised for 21 subjects. The petitioner applied for Education subject where total of 12 posts; 5 for UR, 1 for OBC (M) and 6 for ST. However, the petitioner was not included in the shortlisted candidates issued by notification dated 08.02.2024. In the notification, only 12 candidates were shortlisted for Education subject.

[3] It is submitted that one person did not join and one person resigned and there are two vacancies for the post of Assistant Professor for Education subject. Petitioner submitted a representation for considering his case on merit against the two vacancies. The

representation was dated 28.08.2026 addressed to the Chief Secretary, Commissioner (Education) and Director (Directorate of University and Higher Education), Government of Manipur for considering him against the two vacant post of Assistant Professor for Education subject as per merit.

[4] It is submitted that the representation is still pending. By the present writ petition, the petitioner prayed for directing the respondents to consider him for appointment against the two vacant post of Assistant Professor in Education subject and in alternative direct the respondents to consider the representation dated 28.08.2026 by passing a speaking order.

[5] At the time of hearing, Mr. Keisham Kishan, learned counsel appearing for the petitioner, on instructions, submits that writ petition may be disposed of at this stage by directing the respondents to consider the representation dated 28.08.2026 within a stipulated period of time.

[6] Mr. M. Devananda, learned Additional Advocate General assisted by Ms. Jyotsana, learned junior Government counsel submits that the advertisement was for appointment of Assistant Professor on contract basis for a period of one year. Learned Additional Advocate General submits that this Court may pass an appropriate order in terms of limited prayer for disposal of the writ petition.

[7] Considering the limited prayer of the petitioner, writ petition is disposed of by directing the respondent No. 2 (Commissioner, Education

Department of Higher and Technical Education, Government of Manipur) to consider the representation dated 28.08.2026 submitted by the petitioner who applied for the post of Assistant Professor vide notification dated 26.03.2021 by passing a reasoned order within a period of two months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

It is made clear that this Court does not express any opinion on the merit of the representation submitted by the petitioner.

[8] With this observation, writ petition is disposed of.

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