BEFORE THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE T NANDAKUMAR SINGH

25.06.2014

Heard Mr. SM Suna, learned counsel for the petitioners and Mr. HS Thangkhiew, learned senior counsel assisted by Mr. PN Nongbri, learned counsel for the respondents No.1 & 2.

By this writ petition, the petitioners are challenging the order dated 03.08.2004 which was passed about a decade ago. There is no convincing explanation for the considerable delay of about 10 years in approaching the Court by filing the present writ petition. In Para 13 of the writ petition, the petitioners only stated that they came to know about the said order only in the month of July, 2013, save and except that, there is no explanation for the delay in filing the present writ petition. It is so well settled law that delay defeat equity. For this reason, this writ petition is not entertained. Dismissal of the writ petition shall not cause any prejudice to the petitioners in seeking, if law permits, the appropriate remedy in the appropriate forum.

Writ petition is disposed of.

JUDGE

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