

WP(C) No. 485 of 2018

BEFORE

**HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE N. KOTISWAR SINGH
(ORAL)**

27.6.2018

Heard Mr. K. Rabei, learned counsel for the petitioner as well as Ms. Sundari, learned GA for the State respondents and Ms. Lenibala, learned counsel for the respondent No. 3.

[2] The grievance of the petitioner is that, though the petitioner was recently transferred as Principal of Johnstone Higher Secondary School vide order dated 13th December, 2017, even before completing six months, the petitioner has been subjected to transfer to another school namely, Azad Higher Secondary School, Yairipok, Thoubal District vide order dated 2nd June, 2018 and submits that it amounts to frequent transfer and accordingly prays for quashing the impugned transfer order dated 2nd June, 2018.

[3] On the other hand, it has been submitted by Ms. Sundari, learned GA that the petitioner has not been specifically picked up for transfer as the aforesaid impugned order dated 2nd June, 2018 was issued in public interest to accommodate the newly promoted principals.

[4] Though transfer is an incidence of service and an employee is subject to transfer and posting to such places where the Government orders, as far as possible, it should not cause undue inconvenience to the employee concerned and be fair.

[5] In this regard, it has been submitted by the petitioner that he has submitted a representation addressed to the Deputy Secretary, Education (S) on 4th June, 2018 highlighting his grievances, but the said representation has not yet been disposed of till date.

[6] In view of the above, the present petition is disposed of with the direction to the respondent authorities to consider the said representation submitted by the petitioner on 4th June, 2018 and review the transfer order dated 2nd June, 2018, which exercise shall be undertaken by the respondent authorities within a period of three weeks from today.

Till then, status quo as on today about the posting of the petitioner and the private respondent shall be maintained.

JUDGE

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