IN THE HIGH COURT OF MANIPUR AT IMPHAL

WP(C) No. 686 of 2017

Md Khalilur Rahman

... Petitioner/s

- Versus -

State of Manipur & 4 Ors.

... Respondent/s

BEFORE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MV MURALIDARAN ORDER

30.08.2019

Heard Mr. N. Surendrajit, learned counsel for the petitioner; also heard Ms. Momota Devi Oinam, learned Addl. AG. for the State.

Based on the Vigilance Report dated 24.12.2014, the High Power Committee had issued a show cause notice to the petitioner on 01.10.2015 and directed the petitioner to submit his explanation for the followings:-

 the Finance Department (PIC) shall issue Notice under Rule 9(7) of the Manipur Public Servants' Personal Liability Rules, 2006 to Md. Khalilur Rahaman, the then i/c Principal, Lilong Haoreibi College, Lilong and

the Administrative Department of Hr. & Tech.
 Education shall furnish a detailed report on the matter indicating the progress of the Departmental Enquiry within 2(two) weeks.

Though the show cause notice was issued by the High Power Committee on 01.10.2015, the petitioner submitted his explanation/reply to the show cause notice on 14.09.2016.

Thereafter, the writ petitioner has filed the present petition in the year 2017 challenging the order of the vigilance report as well as the show cause notice issued by the High Power Committee.

When the matter is taken up today, I have heard Mr. N. Surendrajit, Ld. counsel for the petitioner and Ms. Momota Devi, Oinam, learned Addl. AG for the State.

Admittedly, the show cause notice issued by the High Power Committee is only a show cause notice and admittedly the petitioner also submitted his reply/explanation on 14.09.2016. When this Court posed a question whether any order has been passed after reply but Ms. Momota Devi Oinam, Ld. Addl. AG has not given any reply as to whether appropriate order was passed based on the reply filed by the petitioner on 14.09.2016.

Without going into the merit of the case, I am inclined to pass the following orders which are as follows:

- (a) the writ petition is disposed off.
- (b) the respondents are directed to pass appropriate order on the show cause notice dated 01.10.2015 by considering the reply given by the petitioner on 14.09.2016 by giving personal opportunity to the petitioner.
- (c) the said exercise shall be done within a period of 3 months from the date of receipt of this order.

JUDGE

- LARSON