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IN THE HIGH COURT OF MANIPUR
AT IMPHAL
WP(C) No. 44 of 2022

Item No. 51
(Through video conferencing)

Lourembam Puinashachi Devi

.... Petitioner/s

- Versus -

State of Manipur & Anr.

.... Respondent/s

BEFORE

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AHANTHEM BIMOL SINGH

25.02.2022

Heard Ms. Geetarani Waikhom, learned counsel appearing for the petitioners and Mr. Y. Ashang, learned Government Advocate (GA) appearing for the respondents.

The present writ petition had been filed with a prayer for directing the respondents to pay the pay and allowances of the petitioner's deceased husband namely, L. Pradipchand Singh, for the period from 23.03.2006 till 17.04.2010 as LDC in the Department of Higher and Technical Education, Manipur.

It has been submitted by Ms. Geetarani Waikhom that the present writ petition is squarely covered by the order passed by this Court on 10.08.2018 in WP(C) No. 854 of 2017 and order dated 10.06.2020 passed by this Court in WP(C) No. 270 of 2020, wherein, this Court has directed the authorities to examine and verify as to whether the petitioners in those cases have rendered services as claimed by them and if they indeed have rendered services and the authorities accepted their services, the pay and allowances of the petitioners should be paid within a period of 2/3 months.

It has further been submitted by the counsel for the petitioner that in compliance with the aforesaid order passed by this Court, the Government has already issued order dated 29.11.2021 and 02.12.2021, whereunder, the Government has ordered for extension of the services of the gap period in respect of the petitioners and for payment of due salary. The learned counsel accordingly submitted that the present writ petition may be disposed of in terms of the aforesaid 2 (two) orders passed by this Court.

Mr. Y. Ashang, learned GA appearing for the respondents submitted that the authorities may be directed to examine and verify as to whether the petitioner's deceased husband actually rendered his service as claimed by her and to take up necessary and appropriate steps after conducting such verification.

After hearing the submissions of the learned counsel appearing for the parties and after perusal of the record of the present case, this Court is of the considered view that the present writ petition can be disposed of by directing the respondents to examine and verify as to whether the petitioner's deceased husband actually rendered his service as claimed by the petitioner and if it is found that the petitioner's deceased husband actually rendered his service, his pay and allowances should be paid to the petitioner within a period of 4 (four) months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

With the aforesaid directions, the present writ petition is disposed of.

JUDGE

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