

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF MANIPUR
AT IMPHAL**

PIL No. 14 of 2022

Court on its Own Motion

Petitioner

Vs.

1. State of Manipur, represented by the Commissioner/ Secretary of Education (S), Government of Manipur.
2. The Director of Education (S), Government of Manipur, Lamphelpat, Directorate of Education (S), Lamphelpat, P.O. & P.S. Lamphel, Imphal West District, Manipur-795004.
3. The Headmaster, Bishnulal High School, Charhajare, Kangpokpi District, Manipur.

Respondents

BEFORE

**HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MR. SANJAY KUMAR
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MV MURALIDARAN**

30.11.2022

Sanjay Kumar (C.J.):

This writ petition in public interest was taken up *suo motu* on the strength of a news report in the Sangai Express English Newspaper dated 13.04.2022. This news item highlighted the dearth of teachers at Bishnulal High School at Charhajare in Kangpokpi District, which compelled a student to drop an examination.

Heard Mr. Kh. Tarunkumar, learned standing counsel for the High Court, and Mr. M. Devananda, learned Additional Advocate General, Manipur, appearing for the authorities.

Additional affidavit dated 25.11.2022, filed by the Deputy Secretary, Department of Education (S), Government of Manipur, highlights the present situation obtaining in the school and reflects that, as on date, 18 teachers are available in the school for imparting education. The details of the teaching staff

were furnished by way of a separate tabular statement dated 26.08.2022 signed by the Head Master of the school.

In the light of the situation obtaining in the school presently, the grievance of the students highlighted by the newspaper report stands sufficiently redressed.

PIL No. 14 of 2022 is accordingly closed.

No order as to costs.

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JUDGE

CHIEF JUSTICE