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HIGH COURT OF MEGHALAYA
AT SHILLONG

WP(C) No. 30 of 2024

Date of Decision: 28.06.2024

Ex-Rfn/GD No. 163464
Gyan Bahadur Chhetri
S/o (L) Khadak Bahadur
R/o Mahendra Nagar Ward No. 13
Nautanwa, Maharajganj
Uttar Pradesh 273164

.... Petitioner(s)

- Versus -

1. Union of India
Through its Secretary
Ministry of Home Affairs
South Block, New Delhi-110011
2. The Director General of Assam Rifles,
DGAR, Shillong 793011, Meghalaya
3. The Pay and Account Officer,
Directorate General Assam Rifles,
Assam Rifles, Shillong 793011, Meghalaya
4. The Record Officer,
Pension/NE Record Branch
Directorate General Assam Rifles,
Shillong 793011, Meghalaya
5. The Pay and Accounts Officer,
Central Pension Accounting Office
Ministry of Finance, Government of India
Trikoort II Complex, Bhikaji Cama Place
New Delhi 110066
6. The Assistant General Manager,
State Bank of India,
Centralised Pension Processing Centre,
North Eastern Circle, Shubham Greens,
3rd Floor, Lokhra Chairali, NH-37



- Guwahati 781040.
7. The Central Pension Processing Centre
State Bank of India (CCPC)
Sector 1, Jankipuram,
Lucknow (UP) 226021
8. The Branch Manager,
State Bank of India, Sonauli Branch,
Maharajganj, U.P. 273164.

... Respondent(s)

Coram:

Hon'ble Mr. Justice H. S. Thangkhiew, Judge

Appearance:

- For the Petitioner(s) : Mr. S. Pandey, Adv.
- For the Respondent(s) : Dr. N. Mozika, DSGI with
Ms. A. Pradhan, Adv. (For R 1-5)
Mr. A. Dhar, Adv. (For R 6-8)

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| i) | Whether approved for reporting in
Law journals etc.: | Yes/No |
| ii) | Whether approved for publication
in press: | Yes/No |
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JUDGMENT AND ORDER (ORAL)

1. Dr. N. Mozika, learned DSGI assisted by Ms. A. Pradhan, learned counsel for the respondents Nos. 1 to 5, today has produced a communication dated 11.06.2024, addressed to the Legal Officer, Assam Rifles. The said letter acknowledges the fact that the petitioner



had submitted a scanned copy of the Life certificate to the concerned Branch, but that other formalities were still required, as noted in the said letter at Paragraph-2. He however, submits that perhaps the matter can be closed by allowing a certain timeframe for the formalities to be completed.

2. Mr. S. Pandey, learned counsel for the petitioner has however submitted that as the Life certificate had been submitted to the concerned Branch, which contains the information as required, the requirement of other formalities will cause great hardship to the petitioner, who is semi- paralyzed and presently residing in Nepal.

3. Mr. A. Dhar, learned counsel for the respondents Nos. 6, 7 & 8, submits that from the side of the Bank there is no impediment and on receipt of the fresh Pension Payment Order from the Assam Rifles respondents, the petitioner's pension shall be released forthwith.

4. In view of the facts and circumstances of the case and not to cause hardship to the petitioner who is suffering, it is directed that the writ petitioner shall furnish a fresh copy of the Life certificate to the Assam Rifles respondents, within a period of 2(two) months, with



a copy marked to the concerned Bank. On receipt thereof, the Assam Rifles respondents shall then process and issue the fresh Pension Payment Order of the petitioner, within a period of 3(three) months, thereafter.

5. With the above noted directions, this writ petition is accordingly disposed of.

JUDGE

Meghalaya
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