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HIGH COURT OF MEGHALAYA AT SHILLONG

WP(C). No. 113 of 2024

Date of Decision: 28.02.2025

Miss. Jebia M.Momin

...Petitioner

- -Versus-
- 1. State of Meghalaya represented by the Commissioner and Secretary, to the Government of Meghalaya,
 Department of Forest and Environment,
 Meghalaya, Shillong.
- 2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest and Head of Forest Force Meghalaya, Shillong, East Khasi Hills District, Meghalaya.
- 3. The Divisional Forest Officer, Social Forestry Division, West Khasi Hills, Nongstoin, Meghalaya.
- 4. Pr. Accountant General (A&E) Meghalaya, Shillong.
- 5. Divisional Social Forest Officer, Tura, West Garo Hills District, Meghalaya.

...Respondents



Coram:

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

Appearance:

For the Petitioner/Applicant(s): Mr. P.T.Sangma, Adv.

Ms. G.Ch. Marak, Adv.

For the Respondent(s) : Mr. H.Abraham, GA with

Ms. S.Bhattacharjee, GA for R 1-3&5. Mr. K.Kharmawphlang, Adv. for R 4

Yes/No

i) Whether approved for reporting in

Law journals etc:

ii) Whether approved for publication Yes/No

in press:

JUDGMENT AND ORDER (ORAL)

- 1. Heard learned counsel appearing for the parties.
- 2. The only issue in the present writ petition is the non-release of the retirement and other terminal benefits of the deceased employee to the writ petitioner who is stated to be the daughter.
- 3. It has been submitted by Mr. P.T.Sangma, learned counsel for the petitioner that in the course of the proceedings in the instant matter, the writ petitioner has received the Leave Encashment, GPF, GPF linked insurance scheme, ACPS and MACPS arrears, and what remains is the



Gratuity and Family Pension. He however, submits that the non-release of the other benefits is due to the fact that the writ petitioner has not been able to furnish the Death Certificate of her late father.

- 4. Mr. H.Abraham, learned GA appearing for the respondents No. 1-3 & 5, has drawn the attention of this Court to paragraph 13 of the affidavit wherein the details of the amounts released to the writ petitioner has been given and also the fact that two letters had been sent to the writ petitioner on 29th July, 2024 and 16th August, 2024, requesting her to furnish the Death Certificate of her late father. He therefore, submits that there is no impediment for releasing the other remaining benefits and it is for the writ petitioner to furnish the required documents.
- 5. On hearing the learned counsel for the parties and on examining the matter, it is noted that this writ petition can be disposed of at this stage itself by directing the writ petitioner to furnish the required Death Certificate and other documents within a period of two months from today, and thereafter on such submission, the respondents shall process the same and release the remaining amounts within a period of two months thereafter.



6. With the above direction, matter stands closed and disposed of.

Judge