

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

**WP(C) No. 551 of 2023**

Maibam Bharat Meitei & 15 Ors.

**...Petitioners**

**- Versus -**

State of Manipur & 10 Ors.

**...Respondents**

**With  
WP(C) No. 545 of 2023**

**B E F O R E  
HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MR. SIDDHARTH MRIDUL  
HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE GOLMEI GAIPHULSHILLU KABUI**

**ORDER**

**20-02-2024**

*Siddharth Mridul (C.J.),*

Ms. Th. Lekhakumari, learned counsel, appears for the petitioner in WP(C) No. 551 of 2023; Mr. L. Anand, learned counsel, appears for the petitioner in WP(C) No. 545 of 2023; and Mr. M. Devananda, learned Addl. Advocate General, appears for respondent Nos. 1 to 3.

Mrs. N. Savitri, learned counsel, enters appearance on behalf of respondent Nos. 4 to 12 and prays for and is granted three weeks' time to file counter affidavit in WP(C) No. 551 of 2023 after providing an advance copy to the learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner, who may file rejoinder affidavit thereto, if any, before the next date of hearing.

Mr. L. Anand, learned counsel, prays for and is granted three weeks' time to file rejoinder affidavit to the counter affidavit filed on behalf of respondent Nos. 1 to 3 after providing an advance copy to the learned counsel appearing on the other side.

List on 19-03-2024.

In the meantime, parties are at liberty to complete the pleadings in these writ petitions before the next date of hearing.

Interim order to continue till the next date of hearing.

**JUDGE**

**CHIEF JUSTICE**

*Victoria*