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HIGH COURT OF MEGHALAYA
AT SHILLONG

MC (PIL) No.8/2018

Date of Order: 18.02.2022

Kynjaimon Amse

Vs.

Union of India & ors

Coram:

Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sanjib Banerjee, Chief Justice
Hon'ble Mr. Justice W. Diengdoh, Judge

Appearance:

For the Petitioner/Appellant (s) : Shri S Panthi, Amicus Curiae
For the Respondent (s) : Mr. R Debnath, CGC
Mr. S Sengupta, Addl.Sr.GA

Since the latest affidavit filed by the State indicates that a notice inviting tender for upgradation and improvement of the Borkhat road has already been issued and the last date for receiving offers is March 28, 2022, let the matter appear in the second week of April, 2022 to ascertain the time within which the work would be completed in terms of the contract that has been awarded in favour of the successful bidder.

At the same time, the regular maintenance and upkeep of the various stretches of the road should be undertaken on an immediate basis, whether or not any contractor has been engaged pursuant to the notice inviting tender issued on February 9, 2022. There has to be a regular process for a key road to be maintained in good condition and the fact that no contractor may have been engaged for the purpose reflects poorly on the administrative authority responsible for the maintenance.

Hill roads are particularly critical and it is necessary that they are maintained regularly or at least a mechanism is put in place for minor damages due to the regular wear and tear to be attended to at the earliest.

List on April 11, 2022.

(W. Diengdoh)
Judge

(Sanjib Banerjee)
Chief Justice

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