

HIGH COURT OF MEGHALAYA
AT SHILLONG

PIL No.4/2021 with
MC (PIL) No.2/2021

Date of order: 24.09.2024

Registrar General, High Court of Meghalaya	Vs.	State of Meghalaya & ors
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Managing Director, INDIGO	Vs.	Registrar General, High Court of Meghalaya
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Hon'ble Mr. H.S. Thangkhiew, Chief Justice (Acting)

Hon'ble Mr. Justice W. Diengdoh, Judge

For the Petitioner	:	Mr. P. Yobin, Amicus Curiae
For the Respondents	:	Mr. A. Kumar, Advocate General with Mr. K. Khan, AAG Mr. A.H. Kharwanlang, Addl.Sr.GA Dr. N. Mozika, DSGI with Ms. K. Gurung, Adv

Dr. Gursewak Manish, General Manager Planning, Airports Authority of India (AAI) is present in Court today and has rendered his assistance in elaborating and explaining the exact requirements and the plan of action that is necessary with regard to the enhancing the capacity of Shillong Airport. In his elaboration, Dr. Gursewak Manish has explained that by the LiDAR survey, comprehensive survey of the entire Airport including all the requirements had been conducted. With regard to the earth cutting as required for expansion of the runway by 571 meters, it has been stated that if the proposal is accepted and passed by the State Government and by the Regulatory Authority that is the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA), the same can be achieved within a cost of Rs.100 crore by the State Government, excluding other costs that will

be borne by the AAI in the improvement which will be to the tune of Rs.500 crore.

2. At this juncture, the learned Advocate General has submitted that the proposal that has been put forward before this Court today will be placed before the Cabinet and a decision on the proposal will likely be given within a week.

3. Dr. N. Mozika, learned DGSI submitted that once an in-principle approval has been obtained from the State Government, then the AAI will go ahead with completing other requirements by submitting the proposal before the DGCA for other clearances.

4. In view of the above, post the matter on 01.10.2024 for further orders and to await the decision of the Cabinet on the re-worked proposal.

5. This Court also notes with appreciation the assistance rendered by Dr. Gursewak Manish, General Manager Planning, AAI.

(W. Diengdoh)
Judge

(H.S. Thangkhiew)
Chief Justice (Acting)

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