

WP (PIL) No. 01/2015
In RE: High Court of Sikkim (Suo Motu)
vs.
State of Sikkim & Ors.

BEFORE
MR. JUSTICE SATISH K. AGNIHOTRI, CJ &
MRS. JUSTICE MEENAKSHI MADAN RAI, J.

24. 07.06.17 Present: Mr. A. K. Upadhyaya, Sr. Advocate (*Amicus Curiae*)
(Agnihotri, CJ) with Mr. Jorgay Namka, Advocate (*Amicus Curiae*),
and Ms. Aruna Chhetri, Advocate for the Petitioner.

Mr. J. B. Pradhan, Addl. Advocate General with Mr. Karma Thinlay, Sr. Govt. Advocate, Ms. Pollin Rai, Assistant Government Advocate and Ms. Neera Thapa, Advocate (Health Deptt.) for the Respondents No. 1 to 5.

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The report dated 06.06.2017 filed by the State is not very encouraging. It appears that the State has reached upto only at the stage of administrative approval in case of providing protective works and drainage system at Boomtar Sub-Jail, Namchi. Mere administrative approval may not provide financial sanction before initiating the work. Thus, further four weeks time is granted to the State for obtaining necessary financial approval as well as engaging the service of a competent contractor to do the needful.

It is brought to our notice that a portion of the Namchi Sub-jail is sinking and further construction without taking proper steps to improve the conditions may go in vain. Accordingly, the State is directed to submit a report as to what further steps have been taken by the State to improve the condition.

Call on 05.07.2017.

Judge
07.06.2017

Chief Justice
07.06.2017