

ITEM NO.10 Court 7 (Video Conferencing) SECTION XIV

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (C) No(s). 11724/2021

(Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 15-12-2020 in WP(C) No. 624/2020 passed by the High Court Of Manipur At Imphal)

THE STATE OF MANIPUR & ORS. Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

MAISNAM MANIKCHAND SINGH & ORS. Respondent(s)
(FOR ADMISSION and I.R. and IA No.90968/2021-EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT and IA No.91002/2021-EXEMPTION FROM FILING AFFIDAVIT and IA No.90965/2021-PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES)

Date : 09-08-2021 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KISHAN KAUL
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HRISHIKESH ROY

For Petitioner(s) Mr. Pukhrambam Ramesh Kumar, AOR
 Ms. Anupama Ngangom, Adv.
 Mr. Karun Sharma, Adv.

For Respondent(s)

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

We pointed out to the learned counsel for the petitioners that the present proceedings are the grossest abuse of the process of the Court as on our query, we were told that the judgment of the High Court dated 09.11.2017 was assailed before this Court and the Special Leave Petition was dismissed as far back as in February, 2018. A review application had also apparently been filed which was dismissed on 03.08.2021. Now all that is left is to keep on filing curative petitions! That the Government should

behave like this, we must condemn in the strongest of terms. The impugned order only calls upon the petitioners to take appropriate recourse to contempt rather than file another petition. That the private respondents should be made to run from pillar to post at the behest of the Government which refuses to accept judgment of this Court is to be strongly deprecated.

We were proceeding to further issue appropriate directions calling upon the officers to explain their stand but learned counsel for the petitioners, realizing the gravity of the situation, seeks to withdraw the Special Leave Petition.

Permission granted.

The Special Leave Petition is dismissed as withdrawn.

We, however, direct that the petitioners shall duly comply with the judicial view taken by the High Court and affirmed by this Court within one month from today otherwise we will be constrained to issue contempt proceedings against the concerned officers. The compliance report be filed in this Court within that one month's period.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioners states that some additional time may be granted and on enquiry, he states that a three months' time may be granted. We grant such time.

(ASHA SUNDRIYAL)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(POONAM VAID)
COURT MASTER (NSH)