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THE GAUHATI HIGH COURT
(HIGH COURT OF ASSAM, NAGALAND, MIZORAM AND ARUNACHAL PRADESH)

Case No. : Cont.Cas(C)/2/2025

Vanlalliana and 45 Ors.
S/o NK Thanga, R/o Chanmari A-29/B, Saron Road, Aizawl

2: H.Lalremruati
S/o Ainghinglova
R/o Mission Veng
near Lungli
Aizawl

3: Zodingliani
D/o Malsawma
R/o Dampui
Mamit District
Mizoram

4: Lalrinchhani
D/o C.Lalzawmliana
R/o Venglai
AOC
VL/F-82A
Kolasib
Mizoram

5: Vanlalhriatpuii Khiangte
D/o Khawvelthanga
R/o St. John Road
Venglai Kolasib

6: H.Lalhmachhuani
D/o H.Zahnuna
R/o Ainawn Veng
Aizawl

7: Vanlalhruaia

S/o Laldingliana
R/o Zuangtui
Aizawl

8: Vanlalhriatpuii Rokhum
D/o Sangliana
R/o Zokhawsang Veng
Zemabawk
Aizawl

9: Andy Lalmalsawma
S/o Lalrinliana (L)
R/o Venglai
Near VC House
Kolasib

10: Ngurthansanga Sailo
S/o S.Lalbiakliana (L)
R/o Venghlun H/N-253 near Post Office
Mamit

11: Vanlalhruaizela
S/o K.Lalnunpuia
R/o 9(D) Block No.37
Phulbial near RO Complex
Phuldungsei

12: Lalramhluni
D/o R.Vanlallawma
R/o H/N-MT 37
Melthum Kawn
Aizawl

13: Melody Zirsangliani
D/o R.Zathuama
R/o H/No-VL-76 Venglai
Hospital Peng
Chhingchhip

14: Malsawmkima Chhakchhuak
S/o Zarzoliana
R/o H/N-234 Venglai Baktawng Near Salvation Army Hall

15: John Lalduhkima
S/o A.Lalrosanga
R/o P and E Veng
Serchhip

16: T.Lalhriatpuii
D/o T.Vankunga
R/o Zion Veng
Serchhip

17: Ngurduhzuala
S/o Ngurzamlova
R/o Khuangpuilam
Near Synod Church

18: Hmingthantluangi
D/o Zonunthara
R/o H/N-141 Chhim veng
Thingdawl
Kolasib

19: VL Chhuanawma
S/o R.Zohmingthanga
R/o H/N-46 Venglai Near CZ HSS
Kolasib

20: C.Lalhmingmawii
D/o C.Malsawma
R/o H/N-70 Tumpui Veng
Near P/S V
Kolasib

21: Thuamluail
D/o KT Siama (L)
R/o Venglai
Near ZD English School
Vairengte

22: Lalremruati Khawlhiring
D/o Rev. K.Darsailova
R/o Tlangnuam
Aizawl

23: PL Lalhriatmawia
S/o Lalpara (L)
R/o N.Lungpher
Near Community Hall

24: R.Lalmuanpuii
D/o R.Lalrinkima (L)
R/o H/N-A1B4
Chaltlang Muallveng
Aizawl

25: Lalramchhana Colney
S/o R.Kaptluanga
R/o Zobawm
Kulikawn
Aizawl

26: Hmingsangzuali
D/o H.Lalnunmawia
R/o Upper Republic
Aizawl

27: Christopher Lallianpuia
S/o Rev. K.Darsailova
R/o Tlangnuam
Aizawl

28: KC Lalawmpuii
D/o Lalnunthara
R/o Ramhlun North
Aizawl

29: Lalpekkima
S/o Romawia
R/o Chanmari 'W'
Aizawl

30: Kawlthanmawii Colney
D/o Laldawla
R/o Tanhril
Aizawl

31: H.Lalhmangaihi
D/o Lalnghakliana
R/o Kawnpui Chhimveng
Kolasib

32: Henry Lalbiakhluna
S/o Zolianlunga
R/o Tuithiangveng
Kolasib

33: K.Zonunsiami
D/o K.Lalsanga
R/o H/N-N-32
Bungkawn YMA Road
Aizawl

34: Benjamin Lalzoliana
S/o V.Laldingliana
R/o H/N-Vengsir Near YMA In
Lamchhip

35: Irebe Vanlalawmpuii
D/o Lalramthara
R/o H/N-H-25
Jail Veng
Dawrpui
Aizawl

36: Lalchhandami Bawitlung
D/o Chalkima
R/o Vengthlang
Zawlse
Champhai

37: Lalengmawia
S/o PL Liantluanga
R/o Hmar Veng
Kolasib

38: Lalthanzuali
D/o C.Lalliansiama
R/o Char kawn
Mamit

39: MS Dawngliani Pautu
D/o Bawihluanga Pautu
R/o H/N-134 Bangla Veng
Near SBI
Vairengte

40: Agnes NT Zarmawii
D/o Dominic Lalchhanchhuaha
R/o 16 N
Sabual
Near Primary School
Mamit

41: C.Zomuankimi
D/o Chawngnuna
R/o Khuangpuilam
Kolasib

42: H.Vanlalruati
D/o L.Thanhlira

R/o Project Veng
Kolasib

43: Zothankimi Ralte
D/o Thachhuma R/o Kawnveng
Bilkhawthlir

44: Baby Lalnunmawii
D/o Zomuana
R/o Hmar Veng
Kolasib

45: Siemimalsawm H.Gangte
S/o Paukhawkam H.Gangte
R/o Vengthar
Kolasib

46: Cicilia K.Lalhmunsiami
D/o K.Vanlalhlana
R/o H/N-VL/C-61 Venglai
near Bazar Venglai
Kolasi

VERSUS

Sh Khilli Ram Meena and 4 Ors.
Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Mizoram, Aizawl 2:Sh David Lalthantluanga
Special Secretary to the Govt. of Mizoram
School Education Dept.

3:Sh K.Lalthawmmawia
Commissioner and Secretary to the Govt. of Mizoram
Dept. of Personnel and Administrative Reforms

4:Sh Vanlaldina Fanai
Commissioner and Secretary to the Govt. of Mizoram
Finance Dept.

5:Smt Angela Zothanpuii
Director
School Education Dept.
Govt. of Mizoram
Aizaw

Advocate for the Petitioner : Ms Dinari T Azyu

Advocate for the Respondent : Mrs. Mary Lalruatkimi Khiangte for R1-5

B E F O R E
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV KUMAR SHARMA
ORDER

16.10.2025

Heard Ms. Dinary T Azyu, learned counsel for the petitioners.

On the previous date, a request was made by the Court to learned counsel for the petitioners as to whether a joint affidavit on behalf of all the respondents could be filed in a contempt petition. In this regard, learned counsel has referred to the Contempt of Court (Gauhati High Court) Rules, 1977 wherein at Rule 10(1) it is provided that in case of a Civil Contempt, the person charged may file his affidavit by way of reply to the charge. But the Rule is silent with regard to the filing of joint affidavit. A decision of the Hon'ble Calcutta High Court has been cited (*Samarendra Kumar Mukherjee vs. K.M Lal & Ors.*) in *C.R No. 4604(W)/1953*, wherein it has been held that a proceeding in contempt was by its very nature a proceeding in personam and such proceeding cannot be allowed to acquire the character of the representative proceeding and therefore, joint affidavits are impermissible in such proceedings.

Learned counsel appearing for the respondents submits that the respondents will individually file their affidavits and seeks some time to submit the same.

Accordingly, list the matter again **after 4 (four) weeks**, by which time the individual affidavits shall be filed by the said respondents.

JUDGE

Comparing Assistant