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

Case No. : PIL/5/2024

Smt. Vanramchhuangi
R/o Chaltlang Dawrkawn,
Aizawl, Mizoram.

VERSUS

The State of Mizoram, R/b The Chief Secretary, Govt. of Mizoram and 13 Ors.
Aizawl, Mizoram 2:The Secretary
Finance Dept.
Govt. of Mizoram
Aizawl
Mizoram.

3:The Secretary
Planning Dept.
Govt. of Mizoram
Aizawl
Mizoram

4:The Secretary
Public Works Dept.
Govt. of Mizoram
Aizawl
Mizoram.

5:The Engineer in Chief
Public Works Dept.
Govt. of Mizoram
Aizawl
Mizoram.

6:The Principal Secretary
Environment
Forests and Climate Change Dept.

Govt. of Mizoram
Aizawl
Mizoram.

7:The Divisional Forest Officer
Aizawl Forest Division
Govt. of Mizoram
Aizawl
Mizoram.

8:National Bank of Agriculture and Rural Development r/b the Chairman
NABARD
India
Office at- Plot C-24
G Block
Bandra Kula complex
BKC Road
Bandra East
Bombay
Maharashtra.

9:Chief General Manager
National Bank of Agriculture and Rural Development
NABARD Regional Office
Mizoram
MINECO.

10:Sh. F. Lalliansanga
R/o Aizawl Venglai
Aizawl
Mizoram

11:Sh. P.C. Lalawmpuia
S/o Sh. Biakliana
R/o Mission Veng
Aizawl
Mizoram

12:Sh. Vanlalsanga
R/o Mission Veng
Aizawl
Mizoram.

13:Sh. Zoramchhana
R/o Electric Veng
Aizawl
Mizoram.

14:Sh. L. Nghakliana
R/o Chanmari West
Aizawl
Mizora

Advocate for the Petitioner : Mr. Joseph Lalchhanhima Renthlei

Advocate for the Respondent : Addl. AG/GA, Mizoram for R1 to R7

ORDER

BEFORE

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MICHAEL ZOTHANKHUMA

HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MARLI VANKUNG

22.04.2025

(Michael Zothankhuma, J)

Ms. Lalnunhlui, learned Govt. Advocate submits that a meeting was held on 21.04.2025 involving the PWD, EF&CC, NABARD, Law & Judicial Departments and Finance Department, with regard to the construction of the road through the forest land, whereby a number of trees had been cut without taking due permission. She submits that she needs three (3) weeks time to file affidavit in this regard.

Ms. Lalnunhlui, learned Govt. Advocate also shall obtain instruction for the steps to be taken by the respondent for compensatory afforestation for cutting trees. She shall also provide the definition of a forest as applicable to the State of Mizoram.

List the matter **after three (3) weeks.**

Till then, the stay order given by the Forest Department to the PWD shall continue.

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Comparing Assistant