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

Case No. : WP(C)/47/2026

Smti Dume Taipodia
Daughter of Lat Komdu Taipodia, permanent resident of Village Silluk, PO and PS
Mebo, East Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh. 790114

VERSUS

The State of AP and 2 Ors
represented by the Chief Secretary, Govt of Arunachal Pradesh 791111 2:The
Secretary (SA)
Age: 0
Occupation :
Govt of Arunachal Pradesh
Itanagar 791111

3:Nabin Chetry
Age: 0
Occupation :
Section Officer
State Lotteries Department
Block No.4
Ground Floor
Arunachal Pradesh Civil Secretariat
Itanagar 79111

Advocate for the Petitioner : Domo Boje, M Basar,Gojum Nyodu,Mebom Jilen

Advocate for the Respondent : GA (AP),

**BEFORE
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR MEDHI**

ORDER

Date : 09.02.2026

Heard Shri D. Boje, learned counsel for the petitioner, who has put to challenge the order dated 01.02.2026, by which the petitioner has been transferred from the Lottery Branch to the Science & Technology Branch. It is the case of the petitioner that she has served for more than 25 years and, vide an order dated 03.02.2025, she was transferred to the Education Department. Immediately thereafter, within a span of less than three days, vide an order dated 06.02.2025, she was again transferred to the Lottery Branch. The petitioner claims to have joined the said branch on 07.02.2025 and has been discharging her duties. However, the present impugned order has been passed on 01.02.2026, again seeking to transfer her. The petitioner has submitted that, apart from the aspect of frequent transfers, there is mala fide in the impugned action, which has been orchestrated by respondent No. 3.

- 2.** Let notice be issued, returnable on 25th of February, 2026.
- 3.** Ms. P. Pangu, learned State Counsel accepts notice on behalf of the respondent Nos.1 and 2.
- 4.** Requisite extra copies of the writ petition be furnished upon her within 2(two) working days.
- 5.** Let steps be taken for service of notice upon respondent No. 3 by registered post with A/D. Steps shall be taken within 2 (two) working days from today. Additionally, the petitioner is directed to serve the respondent No. 3 by *dasti*, which is to be routed through the Registry of this Court.
- 6.** In the notice accompanying the *dasti*, the next date is to be specifically reflected and prior to the next date, the petitioner is required to file an affidavit as proof of such *dasti* service.

7. Shri Boje, learned counsel for the petitioner prays for an interim order, by submitting that the petitioner is yet to be released.
8. Time was granted to the learned State Counsel to obtain instructions when this matter was taken in the first-half. The learned State Counsel has submitted that telephonic instructions have been received and as per which, though the petitioner has not yet been released, the reliever has joined.
9. Considering the above, it is directed that the *status quo* as on today be maintained till the next returnable date.
10. Since this order has been passed *ex-parte qua* the respondent No.3 and of the motion stage, the same would be reconsidered on the returnable date.

List on **25.02.2026.**

JUDGE

Comparing Assistant