

Serial No.10
Supp. List

HIGH COURT OF MEGHALAYA
AT SHILLONG

WP(C). No. 35 of 2026

Date of Order: 06.02.2026

Shri. Synshar Khongjah

Vs.

Union of India & Ors.

Coram:

Hon'ble Mr. Justice H.S.Thangkhiew, Judge

Appearance:

For the Petitioner/Applicant(s) : Mr. J.Shylla, Adv.

For the Respondent(s) : Dr. N.Mozika, DSGI with
Ms. C.Jala, Adv. for R 1.
Mr. A.Kumar, AG with
Mr. A.H.Kharwanlang, Addl. Sr. GA
for R 4 & 5.
Mr. T.T.Diengdoh, Sr. Adv. with
Mr. R.Kharsyad, Adv. for R 6.

1. Heard Mr. J.Shylla, learned counsel for the petitioner.
2. Issue notice.
3. Dr. N.Mozika, learned DSGI assisted by Ms. C.Jala, learned counsel is present and accepts notice on behalf of the respondent No. 1, Mr. A.Kumar, learned AG assisted by Mr. A.H.Kharwanlang, learned Addl. Sr. GA is present on behalf of the respondents No. 4 & 5 and Mr. T.T.Diengdoh, learned Sr. counsel assisted by Mr. R.Kharsyad, learned counsel is present

on behalf of the respondent No.6, as such, no further notice is called for on these respondents.

4. Notice to issue to the respondents No. 2 & 3 within three days.

5. The grievance of the writ petitioner who is stated to be the Headman of Laitmyngrieng Village, Raid Shabong, Khyrim Syiemship, is with the notice issued by the respondent No. 5 for payment of compensation to the person named therein. It is submitted by learned counsel for the petitioner that similar notices have been issued to several people, even though objections have been filed before the concerned authority with regard to disbursement of the said compensation due to unclear title of the land in question. He submits that if the disbursement is allowed, the petitioner and the villagers shall be put to irreparable loss.

6. Mr. T.T.Diengdoh, learned Sr. counsel for the respondent No. 6 has also endorsed the submissions of the learned counsel for the petitioner, and submits that a similar objection has also been lodged by the District Council (respondent No. 6).

7. Dr. N.Mozika, learned DSGI for the respondent No. 1 prays for and is allowed to obtain instructions.

8. On hearing the learned counsel for the parties and also perusal of the notice dated 27-01-2026, issued by the Sub-Divisional Officer (respondent No. 5), it appears that the same is for disbursement of compensation to the

person named therein for the land sought to be acquired. If the submissions of the learned counsel for the petitioner is correct, then perhaps the disbursement will lead to multiplicity of legal proceedings at this stage itself.

9. Accordingly, a prima facie case has been made out for interim orders.

As such, it is directed that till the next date, there shall be no disbursement of compensation pursuant to the notice dated 27-01-2026, and other similar notices to any persons who are stated to be interested.

10. Learned AG to obtain specific instructions by the next date.

11. List this matter on 02-03-2026.

Judge

Meghalaya
06.02.2026
"Samantha PS"