

**Serial No. 01**  
**Regular List**

**HIGH COURT OF MEGHALAYA**  
**AT SHILLONG**

PIL No. 2 of 2022

Date of Order: 19.02.2026

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In Re: (Sou Motu): Illegal Mining of Vs. State of Meghalaya & Ors.  
coal in the State of Meghalaya

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**Coram:**

**Hon'ble Mr. Justice H. S. Thangkhiew, Judge**  
**Hon'ble Mr. Justice W. Diengdoh, Judge**

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**Appearance:**

For the Petitioner(s) :

For the Respondent(s) : Mr. A. Kumar, AG  
Ms. R. Colney, GA (For R 1)

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**Per. H.S. Thangkhiew, Judge:**

In compliance with the order of this Court dated 09.02.2026, a Status Report on behalf of the State respondents, has been submitted just now when the matter is taken up, and the same is placed before the Court. A cursory glance shows that the Report is exhaustive and requires a minute examination by this Court, before any further necessary and effective orders are passed, thereon.

Mr. Pankaj Rasgania, who has taken over charge as the Superintendent of Police, East Jaintia Hills District, is present before this Court today.

Accordingly, list this matter on 24.02.2026, for further orders.

It is further directed that the Superintendent of Police, East Jaintia Hills District along with Mr. Vikash Kumar, the former Superintendent of Police, East Jaintia Hills District to remain present, on the next date of hearing.

**(W. Diengdoh)**  
**Judge**

**(H.S. Thangkhiew)**  
**Judge**

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