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HIGH COURT OF MEGHALAYA
AT SHILLONG

PIL No.1/2024

Date of order: 15.04.2026

Tenny Dard M. Marak Vs. State of Meghalaya & ors

Coram:

Hon'ble Mrs. Justice Revati Mohite Dere, Chief Justice
Hon'ble Mr. Justice W. Diengdoh, Judge

For the Petitioner : Dr. P. Agarwal, Adv
For the Respondents : Mr. N. Syngkon, GA with
Mr. J.N. Rynjah, GA

Today, learned GA has tendered an affidavit on behalf of the respondent-State i.e., the Transport Department. The said affidavit has been affirmed by Shri A.M. Sangma, Commissioner of Transport Department, Meghalaya, Shillong.

2. In view of what was disclosed by the learned counsel for the petitioner, we have perused the said affidavit dated 15th April, 2026 tendered today, the earlier report dated 8th May, 2025 and several affidavits filed by the respondent-State including the affidavit dated 28th November, 2024. We find several flip-flops in the stand taken by the Commissioner of Transport, Meghalaya, Shillong in the said report/affidavits. Prima facie, we feel that an



attempt is being made to mislead this Court. In some places, it is stated that some of the weighbridges are not existing, though in some of the earlier reports, it shows the existence of the said weighbridges albeit being non-functional. Nothing is mentioned about the weighbridge in Gonglangre, South West Garo Hills.

3. Form the affidavit, it appears that an attempt is being made to delay the construction of weighbridges, for reasons best known. As noted in the earlier orders, non-functioning of these weighbridges has led to loss of huge revenue to the State government. We find no seriousness in ensuring that the weighbridges are made functional. When the aforesaid was pointed out to the learned GA in the presence of the Commissioner of Transport Department, learned GA sought time to address our concerns.

4. Considering the flip-flops done by the Commissioner of the Transport Department in its various affidavits/report, we deem it appropriate to direct the Advocate General to appear in this matter, as we do not find any seriousness by the authorities in



the construction or making the weighbridges functional, leading to loss of revenue to the State.

5. At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner states that the petitioner is personally ready to check some of the weighbridges having regard to what is stated in the affidavit, provided police security is given to the petitioner, as he apprehends danger to his life.

6. Learned GA/Commissioner of Transport Department to ensure that a vehicle is made available to the petitioner to enable him to visit in some of the weighbridges. The Superintendent of Police, East Garo Hills District, Williamnagar is directed to ensure that an armed policeman is given to the petitioner on his visit to and fro to all the weighbridges.

7. Learned GA to forthwith communicate a copy of this order to the Superintendent of Police, East Garo Hills District, Williamnagar to enable him to take appropriate steps. Learned GA also to coordinate with the Commissioner of Transport for the vehicle and for giving an armed policeman to the petitioner.



8. Stand over to **21st April, 2026.**
9. Affidavit-in-reply, if any, to be filed by the respective parties before the next date, with an advance copy to other side.

(W. Diengdoh)
Judge

(Revati Mohite Dere)
Chief Justice

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