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HIGH COURT OF MEGHALAYA
AT SHILLONG

CRP No. 8 of 2025

Date of Order: 10.07.2025

The Deputy Commissioner/Collector, Vs. Smti. Krishna Borooah
East Khasi Hills District

Coram:

Hon'ble Mr. Justice W. Diengdoh, Judge

Appearance:

For the Petitioner/Appellant(s) : Mr. A. Kumar, Advocate General with
Ms. I. Lyngwa, GA
Ms. R. Colney, GA

For the Respondent(s) : Mr. I. Borooah, Adv.

When this matter was called up for hearing, Mr. A. Kumar, learned Advocate General appearing for the State petitioner has submitted at the bar that it has come to his knowledge that a petition registered as WP(C) No. 176 of 2025 has been filed by one Shri. Bharat Prasad Singh and others before this Court, the subject matter being the process of land acquisition of the land known as Maxwellton Estate. The issues raised by the petitioners therein involves the question of whether the relevant land acquisition proceedings have lapsed or not vis-à-vis the application of the Land Acquisition Act, 1894 as well as the new Act of 2013. Since the subject matter is also being questioned before this Court in this instant petition, the learned Advocate General has submitted that some time may be given to the parties to examine the same and to take necessary steps in this regard so as to avoid conflict of decision, if any, before a coordinate bench of this Court.

Mr. I. Borooah, learned counsel for the respondent has resisted the submission made and has maintained that the subject matter of the said writ petition has no connection with this instant petition filed before this Court, since the dispute to be addressed in this petition is totally different from what has been raised in the other writ petition. It is prayed that no cognizance be taken of such submission.

This Court has considered the submission made and has been presented with copy of the petition and relevant order dated 20.05.2025 passed in WP(C) No. 176 of 2025. It is also noticed that the respondent herein, that is, Smti. Krishna Borooah has not been made party in the said writ petition, perhaps for this reason the learned counsel is not aware of the contents of the said writ petition.

Be that as it may, since an informal copy of the said petition has been handed over to the learned counsel for the respondent, he is requested to peruse the same and to make his submission before this Court on the next date fixed.

As agreed to by the parties, list this matter for further hearing on 01.08.2025.

Judge

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