

**Serial No. 03**  
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**HIGH COURT OF MEGHALAYA**  
**AT SHILLONG**

WP(C) No. 265 of 2024 with  
MC(WPC) No. 134 of 2024

Date of order: 28.10.2025

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Meghalaya Fishery Field Staff      vs      State of Meghalaya & ors  
Service Association

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**Coram:**

**Hon'ble Mr. Justice Soumen Sen, Chief Justice**  
**Hon'ble Mr. Justice W. Diengdoh, Judge**

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**Appearance:**

For the Petitioner      :      Mr Philemon Nongbri, Adv.  
For the Respondents   :      Mr N.D. Chullai, AAG with  
                                         Mr E.R. Chyne, GA

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We have heard the learned counsel for the writ petitioner and the learned Additional Advocate General.

We need a clarification from the State as to the filling up of vacancies by promotion prior to 12.01.2023 as it appears from the previous notification that 35 per cent was kept reserved for the posts of Fishery Officers by promotion from amongst the members of the Meghalaya Fishery Subordinate Service holding the post of Fishery Supervisors. However, by proviso appended to clause (iii) it was stated that the total number of persons recruited by the process of promotion from amongst the members of the Meghalaya Fishery Subordinate

Service shall not, at any time, exceed 25 per cent of the total strength of the Grade III of the service. There is no indication as to how the remaining 10 per cent shall be filled up in terms of the previous rules. A clarificatory affidavit to that extent shall be filed within three weeks from date upon prior service to the learned counsel for the writ petitioner.

The matter stands adjourned till 18.11.2025.

The parties are directed to file their written notes of argument in the meantime.

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

**(Soumen Sen)**  
**Chief Justice**

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