

HIGH COURT OF MEGHALAYA
AT SHILLONG

PIL No.11/2022

Date of Order: 08.07.2024

Kynjaimon Amse	Vs.	National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) & ors
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Hon'ble Mr. Justice S. Vaidyanathan, Chief Justice
Hon'ble Mr. Justice W. Diengdoh, Judge

Appearance

For the Petitioner	: Mr. S. Panthi, Adv
For the Respondent	: Mr. S. Sengupta, Adv for R/1 Mr. K. Khan, AAG Dr. N. Mozika, DSGI with Ms. L.M.D. Marak, Adv

When the matter is taken up for hearing, the Project Director, NHAI, Shillong has filed an affidavit dated 05.07.2024 along with the status report dated 03.07.2024. Learned counsel appearing for NHAI submitted that a comprehensive strengthening and improvement project is on and that the repair work is carried on. He also submitted that due to heavy rainfall, the work could not be completed and it is moving in a snail's pace. He further submitted that if there is going to be any landslide, the work carried on will again be affected and they have to redo the exercise. He also submitted that the NHAI require three months' time to complete the entire repair work and to show significant progress with regard to the repairing of road and to ensure that a proper road is laid.

2. From the photographs it is seen that the work is in progress. Though the respondent-NHAI has sought three months' time, unless there is a proper monitoring by this Court, the work will come to a standstill. Hence, we are not inclined to grant three months' time at a stretch to know the further development. We direct the Registry to list this matter on 24.07.2024 and depending upon the progress that is going to be placed before us, further time will be considered and granted.

(W. Diengdoh)
Judge

(S. Vaidyanathan)
Chief Justice

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