

HIGH COURT OF MEGHALAYA
AT SHILLONG

PIL No.11/2022

Date of Order :18.06.2025

Kynjaimon Amse (since deceased)	Vs.	National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) & ors
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Coram:

Hon'ble Mr. Justice I.P. Mukerji, Chief Justice
Hon'ble Mr. Justice W. Diengdoh, Judge

Appearance:

For the Petitioner	: Mr. S. Panthi, Amicus Curiae
For the Respondents	: Mr. S. Sengupta, Adv for NHAI Mr. K. Khan, AAG

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| i) | Whether approved for
reporting in Law journals etc.: | Yes/No |
| ii) | Whether approved for publication
in press: | Yes |

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This writ relates to the strengthening and improvement of the Jowai-Ratacherra project road of National Highway-6 (NH-6) of about 102.255 km in length.

This strengthening and improvement work commenced on 22nd March, 2024 by NHAI. It is entrusted to two contractors Purvanchal Buildtech Pvt. Ltd. in respect of 51 km (Jowai to Wahiajer) and Dhar Construction Company in respect of 51.255 km from Wahiajer to Ratacherra.

When the matter was last heard by us in the first sector of 51 km, 67 per cent and in the second sector of 51.255 km, 73 per cent of the work had been completed.

On 16th April, 2025, we had noted the above and had adjourned this application till today expecting a completion report.

However, Mr. Shoumen Sengupta, learned Advocate for NHAI has filed another report in this Court today. It is taken on record. He submits that in the 51 km sector, 75 per cent of the work has been completed and in the other sector of 51.255 km, 80 per cent has been completed. He says that because of bad weather the work could not progress as speedily as promised when the matter was heard last. He prays for further time to file a completion report.

Considering the submissions made and also taking into account the present weather conditions, we grant time to NHAI till 18th August, 2025 to file a completion report. The Amicus Curiae is directed to closely observe the progress made and file a counter report, if necessary, by the said date.

List this PIL for further orders on 20th August, 2025.

(W. Diengdoh)
Judge

(I.P. Mukerji)
Chief Justice

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