



HIGH COURT OF MEGHALAYA
AT SHILLONG

WP (C) No.317/2026

Date of order: 11.08.2026

Registrar General,
High Court of Meghalaya

Vs.

State of Meghalaya & ors

Coram:

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

Appearance in:

For the Petitioner : -

For the Respondents : Mr. A. Kumar, Advocate General with
Ms. S. Laloo, GA
Dr. N. Mozika, DSGI with
Ms. K. Gurung, Adv

The Registry has submitted the status of medical bills and travel allowance and other bills of Judicial Officers in the State, which have been pending with the State Government, in different departments since 2014, 2017, 2018 and many more thereafter.

2. We have perused the statements with respect to the pending bills before the government authorities. From the said statement, it appears that there is one bill of ₹57,680/-, which is pending since October, 2014 in e-Proposal and no sanction order has been received till date. It further appears that, there is one



bill for a sum of ₹15,860/-, which is a travel allowance bill pending with the Law Department since 2017; there is another bill for a sum of ₹22,126/-, which is pending in e-Proposal since June, 2018, and many more such bills.

3. Several bills are pending with the State Government even from 2020 onwards, both medical bills as well as travelling allowance bills. Most of them seem to be pending with the Law Department and in most cases, no sanction order is received till date.

4. Considering the aforesaid i.e., the time that has taken for clearing the bills and the repeated endeavours made by the concerned department of the High Court to ensure expeditious reimbursement of the same, the same has not been paid by the State Government, for reasons best known.

5. In this view of the matter, we deem it appropriate to direct the Secretary, Law Department and the Secretary, Finance Department, Government of Meghalaya, to remain present in



Court tomorrow i.e., **12th August, 2026** at **10:30 am**. Learned Advocate General to inform both the Secretary, Law Department and the Secretary, Finance Department of the order passed today. We are constrained to observe that, for the delay in processing the bills within a reasonable time, we may be required to direct interest to be paid on the delayed payment and, even initiate departmental inquiry.

6. As far as other issues are concerned, we find that most of them have been granted in-principle approval but are awaiting finance EC (II) concurrence.

7. As far as paragraph 6 of the order dated 15th July, 2026, Dr. N. Mozika, learned DSGI, seeks time. Time granted.

8. Stand over to **12th August, 2026**.

(W. Diengdoh)
Judge

(Revati Mohite Dere)
Chief Justice

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