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HIGH COURT OF MEGHALAYA
AT SHILLONG

WP(C). No. 664 of 2025

Date of Order: 02.03.2026

Smti. Legitha D. Sangma

Vs. State of Meghalaya & Ors.

Coram:

Hon'ble Mr. Justice H.S.Thangkhiew, Judge

Appearance:

For the Petitioner/Applicant(s) : Mr. P.T.Sangma, Adv.
Ms. G.Ch. Marak, Adv.

For the Respondent(s) : Mr. N.D.Chullai, AAG with
Ms. R.Colney, GA.

1. Mr. P.T.Sangma, learned counsel for the petitioner today has referred to the report filed by the Deputy Commissioner, West Garo Hills, under the orders of this Court dated 16-12-2025. It is submitted that though the inquiry was held, relevant consideration was not given to the letter of the Inspection of Excise dated 12-08-2025, wherein it has been stated that though some people are against the opening of the shifted wine shop, the proposed place of the wine shop is at a distance of 105 metres from another existing bar, and that there are many boot legging business in the locality as there is no

wine shop at present. He submits that this crucial letter was never taken into consideration in the meeting held on 19-12-2025.

2. In view of these submissions, Mr. N.D.Chullai, learned AAG assisted by Mr. R.Colney, learned GA for the respondents has submitted that the Deputy Commissioner will be directed to revisit the matter and to take all circumstances into consideration before final orders are passed with regard to the shifting.

3. In this view of the matter, it is ordered accordingly. The Deputy Commissioner shall revisit the matter and take all circumstances into consideration, especially taking into account the inputs from the Excise and Police Departments.

4. It is expected that the exercise should be completed within the period of three weeks.

5. List this matter on 25-03-2026.

Judge

Meghalaya
02.03.2026
"Samantha PS"