

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF MANIPUR  
AT IMPHAL**

**WP(C) No. 30 of 2023**

P.G. Chunhiamliu & Anr.

***...Petitioners***

***- Versus -***

State of Manipur & Anr.

***...Respondents***

**B E F O R E  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AHANTHEM BIMOL SINGH**

**ORDER**

**06-07-2023**

Heard Mr. N. Ibotombi, learned senior counsel assisted by Ms. Babina, learned counsel appearing for the petitioners and Mr. A. Vashum, learned Government Advocate appearing for the respondents.

The learned senior counsel appearing for the petitioners submitted that by an order dated 17-01-2023 passed by this Court in the present writ petition, the respondents were directed to maintain status quo as on that day and that insofar as petitioner No. 1 is concerned, no release order has been issued and accordingly, by virtue of the interim order passed by this Court, the petitioner No. 1 was still continuing in her earlier place of posting. However, in respect of petitioner No. 2, the respondents have taken a plea in the counter affidavit that release order has been issued on 11-01-2023 and the same has been forwarded to the petitioner No. 2 on 13-01-2023 via Whatsapp message and as such, certain difficulties has arisen. The learned senior counsel further submitted that despite the said release order, the petitioner No. 2 is still continuing in her place of posting and due to the present situation occurring in the State of Manipur,

there is no possibility of the petitioner No. 2 joining her new place of posting. Learned senior counsel, accordingly, prays for making certain clarification with regard to the earlier interim order passed by this Court so as to protect the interest of the petitioner No. 2.

Learned Government Advocate submitted that in respect of the petitioner No. 1, the authorities have allowed her to continue in her earlier place of posting in terms of the earlier order passed by this Court. However, in respect of the petitioner No. 2, release order has already been issued. Learned Government Advocate, however, fairly submitted that due to the present crisis occurring in the State of Manipur, there is no possibility of the petitioner No. 1 joining in her new place of posting, which is located at Churachandpur District.

After hearing the submissions advanced by the learned counsel appearing for the parties and after taking into consideration the material available on record, this Court is of the considered view that since the interim order has been passed on the ground that the impugned transfer order has been issued by an incompetent officer, there is no question of giving effect to the impugned transfer order.

Accordingly, it is hereby ordered that the impugned transfer order dated 27-12-2022 shall not be given effect to without the leave of this Court.

List this case again 14-08-2023.

**JUDGE**

*Victoria*