

IN THE HIGH COURT OF MANIPUR
AT IMPHAL
W.P.(C) No.58 of 2023

Loktongbam Lalitabi Devi and 2 Ors

...Petitioner/s

- Versus –

Planning & Development Authority(PDA) and 2 Ors.

...Respondent/s

BEFORE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MV MURALIDARAN
ORDER

20.01.2023

[1] Heard Mr. Th. Khagemba, learned counsel for the petitioner and perused the records and Mr. Ch. Ngongo, learned counsel takes notice for all the all respondents.

[2] Admit.

[3] Notice, returnable by 20.02.2023.

[4] Since Mr. Ch. Ngongo, learned counsel takes notice for the all respondents, no formal notice is required.

[5] Mr. Ch. Ngongo, learned counsel for respondents seeks time.

[6] The learned counsel for the petitioners represented that the Revenue Department, Government of Manipur has made proceedings and the same is pending by order dated 20.06.2022 in respect of the land

of the petitioners along with others. Since the inquiry is pending and no final decision has been taken by the authority till date, the Assistant Survey & Settlement Officer, Planning & Development Authority, Manipur has issued a notification dated 12.01.2023 without giving any opportunity of being heard to the petitioners.

[7] Mr. Th. Khagemba, learned counsel for the petitioner further submitted that the Assistant Survey & Settlement Officer, Planning & Development Authority, Manipur contrary to the notice dated 20.06.2022 (A/4) and the Planning & Development Authority, Manipur was issued a notification dated 12.01.2023 without jurisdiction and without source of power and only the issue of change in the class of land is to be decided by the said notice dated 20.06.2022

[8] Therefore, considering the prayer sought for by the petitioners, this Court is considered the petitioners' case and post this matter on 20.02.2023.

[9] Till such time, there shall be an order of interim stay staying the impugned notice dated 12.01.2023(Annexure-A/5).

[10] Therefore, post this matter on 20.02.2023.

JUDGE

Ab. Surjit

