

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

**W.A. No. 19 of 2023**

The Chairman and Managing Director; & Ors.

***Appellants***

**Vs.**

S. James

***Respondent***

***Clubbed with  
MC (W.A.) No. 34 of 2023 with  
MC (W.A.) No. 35 of 2023 with  
MC (W.A.) No. 42 of 2024 with  
MC (W.A.) No. 53 of 2023 with  
MC (W.A.) No. 59 of 2023 with  
W.A. No. 20 of 2023***

BEFORE

**HON'BLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MR. M. SUNDAR  
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A. GUNESHWAR SHARMA  
(ORDER)**

***(Order of the Court was made by M. Sundar, CJ)***

**11.11.2025**

**[1]** There are two main Writ Appeals (WAs) and 5 Miscellaneous Cases (MCs).

**[2]** Both WAs are directed against a common order dated 10.01.2023 in W.P. (C) No. 581 of 2020 and W.P. (C) No. 465 of 2021 along with MCs in the writ petitions. W.A. No. 19 of 2023 is directed against W.P. (C) No. 581 of 2020 and W.A. No. 20 of 2023 is directed against W.P. (C) No. 465 of 2021.

**[3]** Food Corporation of India and its three officers ('FCI' collectively for convenience) is the appellant in both appeals and Mr. Julius Riamei is counsel on record for FCI is before us in the physical court.

**[4]** Dr. S. James, sole respondent in both WAs is appearing party-in-person and he is also before us in the physical court.

**[5]** Adverting to proceedings made in the listing on 10.09.2025 by predecessor bench, Dr. S. James submitted that he is ready with a synoptic note.

**[6]** Learned counsel for appellants, *i.e.*, counsel for FCI submits that W.A. No. 20 of 2023 will be the lead matter and Dr. S. James also submits that it can be the lead matter.

**[7]** Captioned matters have to be heard out but owing to the Board today, *i.e.*, a matter pertaining to orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court to expedite hearing, captioned matters are re-notified.

**[8]** List on 10.12.2025.

*Sandeep*

**JUDGE**

**CHIEF JUSTICE**