

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

**WP(C) No. 489 of 2026 with
MC(WP(C)) No. 506 of 2026**

Nameirakpam Jamandar Singh

... Petitioner

- Versus -

State of Manipur and 2 Ors.

... Respondents

**B E F O R E
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A. GUNESHWAR SHARMA**

ORDER

25.06.2026

[1] This matter is taken up as unlisted item (Supplementary-2) due to urgency involved in the present case.

[2] Heard Mr. Y. Nirmolchand, learned sr. counsel assisted by Mr. L. Raju, learned counsel for the petitioner.

[3] The petitioner, who is working as Executive Engineer, Highways South Division has been transferred as Surveyor of Works (SW) to Superintending Engineer-I, PWD, Manipur and in his place, the respondent no. 3, who is Assistant Engineer-I, Highways South Division is appointed as in-charge Executive Engineer, Highways South Division, PWD, Manipur by vide transfer order dated 23.06.2026 issued by Joint Secretary (Works), Govt. of Manipur in the name of Governor.

[4] Mr. Y. Nirmolchand, learned sr. counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is retiring on 31.08.2026 and his process for pension payment has been initiated by vide letter dated 29.05.2026 issued by Under Secretary (Works), Govt. of Manipur to all concerned Departments to recover any due from him. It is also pointed out that in the impugned transfer order dated 23.06.2026, at copy to, sl. no. 9, the petitioner is directed to immediately report to the new

posting, failing which to comply may invite disciplinary action. It is also pointed out that the SW to Superintending Engineer-I, PWD, Manipur is still held by one, Mr. K. Bidyananda Singh, AE, who is an in-charge Executive Engineer, Bridge Division and he has not been shifted out. In any case, the petitioner, even if he wants to join the new posting, will not be able to join. In the circumstances, the note at copy to, sl. no. 9 is malafide and the same is issued in order to harass the petitioner.

[5] The learned sr. counsel for the petitioner also draws the attention of this Court to the notification dated 12.05.2022 issued by Chief Secretary (DP), Govt. of Manipur lying down the transfer policy, where an incumbent is not to be transferred within 2(two) years of his retirement. It is submitted that the impugned transfer order be stayed as it is only to harass the petitioner.

[6] Issue notice.

[7] Mr. S. Niranjana, learned GA accepts notice on behalf of respondent nos. 1 & 2. Petitioner is directed to take steps on the respondent no. 3 by speed post within 1(one) week and file affidavit of proof of service.

[8] This Court is of the view that the impugned transfer order dated 23.06.2026 is not executable as the post of SW to Superintending Engineer-I, PWD, Manipur is still held by one, Mr. K. Bidyananda Singh, AE; the impugned order is in violation of the transfer policy issued by State Govt. vide notification dated 12.05.2022; and relaxation of the Chief Minister, Manipur has also been obtained. In the circumstances, the impugned transfer order dated 23.06.2026 is stayed till the next date.

[9] List this case on 31.08.2026.

[10] Furnish a copy of this order to the learned counsel appearing for the parties in the course of the day by whatsapp or any other available mode.

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