

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

WP(C) No. 621 of 2023

Chingakham Sana Devi & 7 Ors.

.....*Petitioner/s*

- Versus -

State of Manipur & 2 Ors.

.... *Respondent/s*

BEFORE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A. GUNESHWAR SHARMA

Order

11.09.2023

[1] Heard Mr. NG. Jotindra Luwang, learned counsel for the petitioners.

[2] It is submitted that vide order dated 11.10.2022 in WP(C) No. 721 of 2020, direction was issued to the State respondent to give benefit counting the period of petitioners' ad-hoc services prior to the regularization as qualifying services for availing pension and other retiral benefits in case of certain employees of the Education Department, Government of Manipur. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the present petitioners are also similarly situated with the petitioners in the aforesaid writ petition and their ad-hoc services have been regularized by the State Government in Higher Education Department, Government of Manipur. However, it is submitted that vide order dated 23.02.2023 passed by the

Commissioner (Hr. & Tech. Edn.), Government of Manipur the case of the present petitioners has been rejected on the ground that appointment was not recommended on the basis of duly constituted selection committee/DPC and their appointment was not followed by regular appointment without any break.

[3] Mr. NG. Jotindra, learned counsel for the petitioners, submits that the petitioners have been discriminated.

[4] Issue notice.

[5] Mr. Phungyo Zingkhei, learned Dy. G.A. accepts notice on behalf of all the respondents. Hence, no formal step is required to be taken. Learned Dy. G.A. seeks 3 (three) weeks' time to file counter affidavit and 2 (two) weeks' time for rejoinder affidavit, if any.

[6] List on 16.10.2023.

JUDGE

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