

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

**WP(C) No. 741 of 2025 with
MC(WP(C) No. 690 of 2025**

Tonsing Behlung

.....*Petitioner/s*

- Versus -

State of Manipur & 4 Ors.

.... *Respondent/s*

BEFORE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE A. GUNESHWAR SHARMA

Order

19.09.2025

[1] Heard Mr. M. Hemchandra, learned senior counsel assisted by Mr. M. Rendy, learned counsel for the petitioner.

[2] Issue notice.

[3] Mrs. Ch. Sundari, learned G.A. accepts notice on behalf of respondent Nos. 1 to 3.

[4] Petitioner is directed to take step to respondent Nos. 4 & 5 by speed post and dasti in addition and filed affidavit of proof of service.

[5] Learned G.A. prays for three weeks' time for filing counter affidavit.

[6] Mr. M. Hemchandra, learned senior counsel for the petitioner, draws the attention of this Court to the order dated 30.04.2025 issued by the Addl. Chief Secretary (TA & Hills), Government of Manipur whereby appointments of the petitioner as well as respondent Nos. 4 & 5 as chief of the village are held to be void ab initio.

[7] It is submitted that subsequent order dated 17.05.2025 issued by respondent No. 4 as village chief of Abungnikhu debarring the petitioner from member of the village authority for 25 years be stayed as the appointment of respondent No. 4 as village chief has been set aside by the order dated 30.04.2025 issued by the State Government.

[8] Accordingly, the order dated 17.05.2025 issued by respondent No. 4 as village chief is stayed until further orders.

[9] List this case on 29.10.2025.

JUDGE

Kh. Joshua Maring