

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

WP(C) No. 860 of 2024

Pukhrambam Iboyaima Singh

...*Petitioner/s*

Vrs.

State of Manipur & 4 Ors

...*Respondent/s*

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AHANTHEM BIMOL SINGH

01.10.2025

Mr. RK. Deepak, learned Sr. counsel appearing for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner retired from service w.e.f 31.01.2023 while he was serving as Store Keeper in the Directorate of Consumer Affairs Food & Public Distribution, Manipur on attaining the age of superannuation. After nearly 2 years from the date of his retirement, the authorities have not released pensionary and other retiral benefit due payable to the petitioner on his retirement without assigning any reasons and as such, the petitioner and his dependent are facing great hardship.

The learned Sr. counsel submitted that the authorities cannot withhold the pensionary and other retiral benefit due payable to the petitioner without assigning any reasons and as such a prayer has been made for disposal of the writ petition by directing the

authorities to release forthwith the pensionary and other retiral benefit due payable to the petitioner.

Mr. S. Jasobanta, learned counsel appearing for the office of the Accountant General submitted that the office of the Accountant General cannot finalized the pension payment order as the concern Administrative Department of the Government is yet to furnish the required documents necessary for finalization of the pension payment order in respect of the petitioner.

On perusal of the counter affidavit filed on behalf of the respondent nos. 1, 2 & 3, no reasons has been assigned therein for withholding the pensionary and other retiral benefit due payable to the petitioner. However, the learned GA seeks 3 days time to ascertain from the authorities as to whether any judicial proceeding or departmental enquiry is pending against the petitioner.

As prayed for by the learned GA, list this case again on 09.10.2025 for disposal.

The respondent nos. 1, 2, 3 are hereby directed to furnish the reasons for withholding the pensionary and other retiral benefit due payable to the petitioner and also to furnish information as to whether any judicial proceeding or departmental enquiry is pending

against the petitioner on or before the next date of hearing without fail.

It is made clear that in the event if the respondents fail to furnish the required information on the next date of hearing, adverse inference will be taken and the present petition will be disposed of on the basis of the material available on the Court.

A copy of this order be furnished to all the counsel appearing for the parties through their Whatsapp/Email for doing the needful.

JUDGE

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