Serial No. 02 Supplementary List

HIGH COURT OF MEGHALAYA AT SHILLONG

WP(C) No. 217 of 2024

Date of Order: 25.06.2024

Meghalaya Power Transmission **Vs.** Corporation Limited

Meghalaya State Electricity Regulatory Commission

Coram:

Hon'ble Mr. Justice H. S. Thangkhiew, Judge

Appearance:

For the Petitioner(s) : Mr. A. Kumar, Sr. Adv. with

Ms. A. Thungwa, Adv.

For the Respondent(s) :

Heard Mr. A. Kumar, learned Senior counsel assisted by Ms. A. Thungwa, learned counsel for the petitioner.

Issue notice to the sole respondent, returnable within 2(two) weeks.

The learned Senior counsel has drawn the attention of this Court to the orders dated 05.06.2024 and 06.06.2024, which he contends have been passed in violation of the Section 10 of *The Meghalaya State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Conduct of Business) Regulations*, 2007, which prescribes that the quorum for the

Commission should be at least two, including the Chairperson, and

also Section 18 (3), which specifically provides that all orders of the

Commission shall be signed and dated by the Chairperson and

Members hearing the matter and shall not be altered except to correct

any apparent error.

It is further submitted that the impugned orders herein have

been passed by a sole Member one Shri R.K. Soni, Principal District

& Session Judge (Retd.), sitting singly, inasmuch as, the Chairperson

had retired on 12.05.2024.

On hearing the learned Senior counsel for the petitioner, prima

facie it appears that the matter deserves further consideration, and at

that this stage interim orders are called for.

Accordingly, in the interim the impugned orders 05.06.2024

and 06.06.2024 shall remain stayed, until the next date.

List this matter on 16.07.2024.

JUDGE

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25.06.2024

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