

**HIGH COURT OF MEGHALAYA**  
**AT SHILLONG**

PIL No. 9 of 2017

Date of order: 30.06.2022

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In Re Suo Motu custodial  
violence and other matters vs. State of Meghalaya & ors.  
relating to prison conditions

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**Coram:**

**Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sanjib Banerjee, Chief Justice**  
**Hon'ble Mr. Justice H. S. Thangkhiew, Judge**

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**Appearance:**

For the Petitioner : Dr. N. Mozika, Amicus Curiae with  
Ms. K. Gurung, Adv.

For the Respondents : Mr. K. Khan, Sr. GA with  
Mr. S. Sengupta, Addl. Sr. Ga  
Mr. A. Kharwanlang, GA  
Ms. P. Agarwal, Adv. [For R 18]  
Mr. S. Deb, Adv. [For R 19]

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The matter cannot be effectively taken up today since the compilation that was sought by the order of May 31, 2022 has only just been prepared and no advance copy thereof made over to learned Amicus Curiae.

A copy of the compilation is made over to learned Amicus Curiae in Court today.

It is also imperative that the heirs or next of kin of all concerned who died in the custody in the State since 2012 be informed of these proceedings and be invited to join in. It would not do to effect substituted

service by publishing notices in newspapers. Notices must be served individually, through the police stations, if necessary, and reports obtained to satisfy the Court that the notices have actually been received by the heirs or next of kin of the relevant deceased persons.

The exercise as to service of notice should be completed within the next three weeks.

The matter will appear four weeks hence.

List on August 1, 2022.

**(H. S. Thangkhiew)**  
**Judge**



**(Sanjib Banerjee)**  
**Chief Justice**

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