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HIGH COURT OF MEGHALAYA
AT SHILLONG

PIL No.6/2022

Date of order: 14.09.2022

Synjuk Ki Waheh Shnong Jowai Vs. State of Meghalaya & ors

Coram:

Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sanjib Banerjee, Chief Justice
Hon'ble Mr. Justice W. Diengdoh, Judge

Appearance:

For the Petitioner : Mr. L. Khyriem, Adv

For the Respondents : Mr. B. Bhattacharjee, AAG with
 Ms. R. Colney, GA
 Mr. P. Nongbri, Adv for R/3&4
 Mr. Philemon Nongbri, Adv for R/5

A report dated September 13, 2022 has been filed on behalf of the State, indicating in great detail the measures to be implemented to deal with the day to day piling of garbage, not only in Jowai but also in nearby Khliehriat.

At page 4 of the report, the details pertaining to the time-frame for setting up a compost plant have been set out. It has been stated that a proposal has been finalised for the construction of solid waste processing and disposal plant of 10 tpd at Khliehriat at an estimated cost of Rs.13.37 crore. Such plant is to cater to the needs of both Jowai and Khliehriat. Khliehriat is headquarters of East Jaintia Hills District and Jowai is the headquarters of West Jaintia Hills District.

Invitations have apparently been issued for expression of interest and the report indicates that such process should be completed by the beginning of October, 2022. A 15-day time-frame has been indicated for evaluation of the bid documents and a further 15-day period for submission of security deposit and execution of the agreement.

Thus, by the end of the first week of November, 2022, if the State's latest report is to be given credence, the initial steps for setting up the solid waste processing and disposal plant should have been completed. The report also claims that the plant would be set up within 12 months.

Accordingly, let the matter appear in the second week of November, 2022 to ascertain whether the initial steps have been taken and the work for setting up the plant awarded. It is recorded that as per the relevant report, the plant should be ready by the end of November, 2023.

List on November 7, 2022.

(W. Diengdoh)
Judge

(Sanjib Banerjee)
Chief Justice

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