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THE GAUHATI HIGH COURT
(HIGH COURT OF ASSAM, NAGALAND, MIZORAM AND ARUNACHAL PRADESH)

Case No. : PIL/3/2022

ZWO (Zofa Welfare Organization) R/b Rev. Robawia, President, ZWO
Aizawl, Mizoram

VERSUS

State of Mizoram and 14 Ors.
Aizawl, Mizoram 2:The Secretary/ Under Secretary
Home Department
Aizawl
Aizawl
Mizoram

3:The Chairman/ Secretary
Planning Programme and Implementation Department
Aizawl
Mizoram

4:The Inspector General of Prison
Govt. of Mizoram
Aizawl
Mizoram.

5:Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Mizoram
Finance Dept.
Aizawl
Mizoram.

6:The Home Secretary
Ministry of Home Affairs
Govt. of India
North Block
Cabinet Secretariat
Raisina Hill
New Delhi

Pin- 110001.

7:Secy. to the Govt. of India
Ministry of Finance
Dept. of Expenditure
Room No. 129-A
North Block
New Delhi
Pin-110001

8:The Chairman/ Secretary
AIE Construction
PWD CE Road
Tuikhuahtlang
Aizawl
796001

9:The Chairman/Secretary
Vaube Projects
Seventh Day Tlang
Chawnpui
Aizawl. Mizoram

10:CT Mawia
Diakkawn
Kolasib
Kolasib-796081

11:Royal Floria
A-13
Chanmari
Lower Zarkawt
Israel Point
Aizawl
Mizoram-786007

12:Freddy Vanlalngaia
S/o Vanlalduhsaka
Dinthar
Aizawl-796009

13:Conserve H. Zoremmawia
Chanmari
Aizawl-796007

14:The Chairman/Secretary
Huapzo Construction and Consultancy Services
Bawngkawn Shalom Veng

Aizawl-796014

15:H. Zopara
Chaltlang Lily Veng
Aizawl-79601

Advocate for the Petitioner : Ms. Rosalynn L Hmar
Advocate for the Respondent : Addl. AG/GA, Mizoram

B E F O R E
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MRIDUL KUMAR KALITA
HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE HELEN DAWNGLIANI

ORDER

18.11.2026

Heard Mrs. Rosalynn L. Hmar, learned counsel for the petitioner. Also heard Mrs. Linda L. Fambawl, learned Additional Advocate General, who submits that on 16.07.2026, the State respondents filed an affidavit inter alia stating therein that the reconstruction work of the District Jails has been substantially completed, however, she seeks some more time to file completion certificate in that regard.

2. Mr. Lalrokunga Pautu, learned counsel for respondent No. 9, has submitted that the work of improvement and upgradation of the District Jail, Lunglei, has been extended by 291 days w.e.f. 29.04.2026 till 13.02.2027, and respondent No. 9 is going to complete the work before the lapse of the extended time limit.

3. On the other hand, Ms. Lalrinawmi Chhakchhuak, learned counsel for respondent No. 14, submits that respondent No. 14 has also filed its affidavit on

08.09.2026, wherein it has mentioned in detail the progress of the work of reconstruction of the District Jail, Serchhip. She further submits that though the said work was to be completed before 09.05.2026, due to unforeseen and unavoidable contingencies, the said work could not be completed. She submits that respondent No. 14 has been granted an extension of 276 days to complete the construction work, i.e., till 09.02.2027, and further submits that the reconstruction of the District Jail, Serchhip, would be completed within the extended time.

4. It appears that in spite of due service of summons on the remaining respondents, namely, respondent Nos. 8, 11, 12, and 13, they have not yet filed their affidavits as was directed by this Court in its earlier order. The affidavits regarding the reconstruction works of the District Jails are only available in respect of the District Jails of Lunglei and Serchhip.

5. The learned Additional Advocate General is, therefore, requested to submit a detailed affidavit detailing the reconstruction work of all jails in the State of Mizoram by the next date.

6. Let this matter be listed again on **09.12.2026**.

JUDGE **JUDGE**

Comparing Assistant