HIGH COURT OF MANIPUR AT IMPHAL

NOTIFICATION NO.54

Dated, the 30th March, 2020

NO.HCM/1/96/BENCH/8290 In continuation of Notifications No.49,50,51 and 53 of the High Court of Manipur issued to combat the pandemic spread of Corona Virus (COVID -19) and in compliance of Order dated 23.3.2020 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in S.M.W.P (Civil) No.(s) 3/2020: IN RE – COGNIZANCE FOR EXTENSION OF LIMITATION and considering the prevalent situation, particularly in view of the declaration of 21 days total National LOCKDOWN w.e.f. 25th March,2020 by the Government of India, the Hon'ble Chief Justice is pleased to issue the following directions:

- i) The normal sitting of the High Court and the District Courts is hereby suspended from 01.04.2020 to 14.4.2020.
- ii) In case of matter of extreme urgency, the Division Bench and Single Bench will be constituted on an appropriate request by counsel or party as per direction of the available senior most Judge.
- iii) As regards the District Courts, the following directions are issued, which shall come into effect immediately:
 - a) The respective District & Sessions Judges shall prepare a roster of Judicial Officers for dealing with remand matters, bail and urgent Civil & Criminal matters. Necessary direction be issued and uploaded on the website by the concerned District and Sessions Judges.
 - b) All the Presiding Officers of Tribunal, Family Courts and Special Courts shall designate Judge for dealing with urgent matter.
 - c) Member Secretary, MASLSA may designate appropriate person for taking up urgent legal aid matter.
 - d) The matters which are already fixed upto 14.4.2020 be adjourned en-bloc to subsequent dates and information in this regards be uploaded on the website of the District and pasted on notice board.
 - e) Manipur Judicial Academy shall suspend all its training programmes till 14.4.2020.

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- iv) The interim orders granted earlier by the High Court and the District Courts for a specified date shall be extended till next date of effective hearing.
- v) In view of suspension of regular Court work from 01.04.2020 to 14.4.2020it shall be treated as "Closure" within the meaning of explanation appended to Section 4 of the Limitation Act,1963. Thus, limitation for any Court proceeding shall not run with effect from 15.3.2020 until further order in pursuance of order dated 23.3.2020 in SMWP (Civil) No(s).3/2020: IN RECOGNIZANCE FOR EXTENSION OF LIMITATION passed by Hon'ble Supreme Court.
- vi) This arrangement will be reviewed from time to time.

By order

No Town 4916' 30 3. 220 Registrar (Judicial)

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- 1. Secretary General, Supreme Court of India.
- 2. Secretary, Department of Justice, Government of India.
- 3. All Registrars General of High Courts.
- 4. The Advocate General, Govt. of Manipur.
- 5. The Registrar(Vigilance/Admn./PM &P) High Court of Manipur
- 6. All the learned Judicial Officers, Manipur.
- 7. The Secretary, Law & Legislative Affairs, Department, Govt. of Manipur.
- 8. The Govt. Advocates, Govt. of Manipur.
- 9. The President, High Court Bar Association.
- 10. The President, AMBA, Manipur.
- 11. The Joint Director, Manipur Judicial Academy, Manipur.
- 12. All the Joint Registrars, High Court of Manipur.
- 13. All the Deputy Registrars, High Court of Manipur.
- 14. The Principal Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Justice.
- 15. The P.S. to Hon'ble Mr. Justice L.S. Jamir.
- 16. The P.S. to Hon'ble Mr. Justice Kh. Nobin Singh.
- 17. The P.S. to Hon'be Mr. Justice M.V. Muralidaran.
- 18. The P.S. to Hon'ble Mr. Justice A. Bimol Singh.
- 19. The P.S. to Registrar General, High Court of Manipur.
- 20. The System Analyst, High Court of Manipur for uploading the same to the Official Website.
- 21.All the Superintendents/Court Officers/Stamp Report/Protocol Officer, High Court of Manipur.
- 22. All the Court Masters, High Court of Manipur.
- 23. Guard File.