

**GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA
LAW (B) DEPARTMENT**

No.LJ(B)67/2016/160

Dated Shillong the 24th January, 2025

To:

*The Deputy Secretary, DPIIT,
Room No 204, Vanijya Bhawan,
New Delhi - 110011*

Subject: Reforms to be Implemented under Business Reform Action Plan, 2024 as per the mandate of DPIIT, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India.

Sir/Madam.

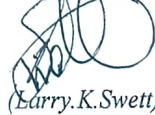
Inviting a reference to the subject captioned herein above, I am directed to say that the reforms set herein under Business Reform Action Plan 2024 shall be considered "NA2" for the State of Meghalaya as these reforms may not be applicable at this juncture. The Court of the District Judge, East Khasi Hills District, Shillong has been empowered to try cases under the Commercial Court Act, 2015 for the entire State of Meghalaya (vide Notification No. LJ(B)67/2016/49, Dtd. 9th February, 2021, enclosed as Annexure-A) and Commercial Appellate Division of the High Court of Meghalaya notified for the purpose (As re-constituted from time to time) [vide Notification No.HCM.III/49/2023/Judl.I/14 Dtd. 17th August, 2024, enclosed as Annexure-B].

Reform no.	Area	Sub-Area	Reform Details
257	Contract Enforcement	Commercial Dispute Resolution Enablers	Ensure at least 90% of the vacancies in specialized Commercial Courts has been filled up.

At present, since there are fewer Commercial cases in the State, only the Court of the District & Sessions Judge, Shillong, has been notified by the State Government in consultation with the High Court of Meghalaya to function as the Commercial Court for the entire State and Commercial Appellate Court, High Court of Meghalaya notified by the High Court. However, as and when the need arises, more Commercial Courts may be notified (in each of the remaining 11 Districts) by the State Government in consultation with the High Court of Meghalaya. Further, it may be informed that the Court of the District & Sessions Judge, Commercial Court at Shillong have been utilising the existing service/assistance/staff/workforce of the District & Sessions Judge Court, Shillong.

Therefore, the question of ensuring filling up of 90% of the vacancies may not arise, since there is only one Commercial Court for the entire State with a Commercial Appellate Division in the High Court of Meghalaya. The total pendency of Commercial cases in the State of Meghalaya at the end of November, 2024 is 150 in the Commercial Court at Shillong and 5 in the Appellate Division. (Enclosed copy of data retrieved from the Official Website of the High Court of Meghalaya as Annexure-C) Thus, setting up more Commercial Courts in the State and filling up of the vacancies thereof may also be subject to pendency of Commercial cases in the State.

Yours faithfully;


(Larry.K.Swett)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya
Law (B) Department



GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA
LAW (B) DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

Dated Shillong, the 9th February, 2021.

No. LJ (B) 67/2016/49 - In supersession of earlier Notification No. LJ(B) 67/2016/32, dated 20.07.2018 and in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the Commercial Courts, Commercial Division and Commercial Appellate Division of High Courts Act, 2015 (Central Act No. 4 of 2016), the Governor of Meghalaya with the concurrence of the Hon'ble High Court of Meghalaya is pleased to appoint the District and Sessions Judge, Shillong as Judge of the Commercial Court for the whole State of Meghalaya for the purpose of the aforesaid Act from the date of joining as District & Sessions Judge, Shillong.

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Commissioner & Secretary to the
Govt. of Meghalaya,
Law Department

MEMO No. LJ (B) 67/2016/49-A,

Dated Shillong, the 9th February, 2021

Copy to:-

1. The Registrar General, High Court of Meghalaya, Shillong with reference to letter No. HCM.II/48/2015- Estt/Pt-I/3792, dt 29.06.2018
2. Advocate General, Meghalaya, Shillong
3. District & Sessions Judge, Shillong
4. All Deputy Commissioners and Superintendent of Police
5. Director, Printing & Stationery, Meghalaya, Shillong for publication of the Notification in the Meghalaya Gazette.
6. Sub-Divisional Officer of Mairang/Sohra/Amlarem/Dadenggre
7. The District & Sessions Judge,
Jowai/Tura/Nongpoh/Nongstoin/Williamnagar/Ampati for favour of information and necessary action
8. All Public Prosecutors
9. Political/Home (Police)/Excise, Registration & Taxation (Stamps) Departments.

By Order etc,

Commissioner & Secretary to the
Govt. of Meghalaya,
Law Department

ANNEXURE-B

THE HIGH COURT OF MEGHALAYA
SHILLONG

NOTIFICATION

Dated Shillong the 17th August, 2024

No.HCM.III/49/2023/Judl.I/14 : In supersession of this Registry's Notification No. HCM.III/49/2023/Judl.I/13 dated 11.02.2024, Hon'ble the Chief Justice (Acting), High Court of Meghalaya, in exercise of the powers under Section 5 of The Commercial Courts Act, 2015, is pleased to re-constitute the Commercial Appellate Division of the High Court of Meghalaya, which shall now comprise of Hon'ble the Chief Justice (Acting) and Hon'ble Mr. Justice B. Bhattacharjee, for the purpose of exercising jurisdiction and powers conferred on it by the said Act.

By Order,

Sd/-

REGISTRAR GENERAL

Memo No.HCM.III/49/2023/Judl.I/14-A

Dated Shillong, the 17th August, 2024

Copy to: -

- 1 The P.S to Hon'ble Mr. Justice H.S. Thangkhiew, Chief Justice (Acting), High Court of Meghalaya, Shillong for favour of kind information of His Lordship.
- 2 The P.S to Hon'ble Mr. Justice W. Diengdoh, High Court of Meghalaya, Shillong for favour of kind information of His Lordship.
- 3 The P.S to Hon'ble Mr. Justice B. Bhattacharjee, High Court of Meghalaya, Shillong for favour of kind information of His Lordship.
- 4 The P.S to Advocate General/ Addl. Advocate General, Meghalaya, Shillong for favour of kind information.
- 5 The Registrar (Judicial Service), High Court of Meghalaya, Shillong for favour of kind information.
- 6 The Joint Registrar (Listing), High Court of Meghalaya, Shillong for favour of kind information.
- 7 The Member Secretary, Meghalaya State Legal Services Authority for favour of kind information.
- 8 All District & Sessions Judges, Meghalaya for favour of kind information.
- 9 The Deputy Solicitor General/ Central Government Counsel, High Court of Meghalaya, Shillong for favour of kind information.
- 10 The President/ Secretary, High Court Bar Association, Shillong for favour of kind information.
- ✓ 11 The System Analyst, High Court of Meghalaya, Shillong for kind information. She is also requested to get the same uploaded in the Official Website.
- 12 All Court Masters concerned for information and necessary action.
- 13 Notice Board
- 14 Office File.


REGISTRAR GENERAL

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Joint Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya,
Planning Investment Promotion & Sustainable
Development Department

STATISTICAL DATA OF CASES OF COMMERCIAL COURTS, COMMERCIAL APPELLATE COURTS AND MEDIATION CENTRE IN THE STATE OF MEGHALAYA AS PER THE NOTIFICATION DATED 29TH APRIL, 2020 BY MINISTRY OF LAW & JUSTICE (DEPARTMENT OF LEGAL AFFAIRS), NEW DELHI, FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER - 2024

ANNEXURE 3
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Court, Shillong	11/11/2024	North Eastern Electric Power Corporation Ltd	Adv Vs Shri V.K.Jindal Sr Adv					Contested		
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Form 7
Summary of Commercial Cases during the month

Sr No	Court	District	Total number of cases pending on the 1 st day of the month	Total number of cases instituted during the month	Total number of cases disposed during the month	Total number of cases pending at the end of the month
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
1	High Court of Meghalaya	East Khasi Hills	4	1	-	5
2	Judge, Commercial Court, Shillong	East Khasi Hills	149	2	1	150

Process
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Joint Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya,
Planning Investment Promotion & Sustainable
Development Department.

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