THE HIGH COURT OF MANIPUR AT IMPHAL

NOTIFICATION No.145 The 29th March, 2022

No.HCM/COVID- 2020/RG/: \$437 In supersession of earlier Notification No. 133 dated 09.01.2022 issued by the High Court of Manipur to regulate the working of the Courts in the context of the Novel Corona Virus (COVID -19) pandemic and in consultation with all stake holder, the Hon'ble The Chief Justice is pleased to issue the following directions:

'Physical court hearings in both the High Court and the District Courts/Tribunals shall be resumed with effect from 04.04.2022.'

Filing of fresh cases, applications, documents, affidavits, etc. shall be by way of hard copies in the High Court and all the District Courts/Tribunals. However, soft copies of the same shall also be submitted through email filing.

This arrangement is subject to review and notification from time to time.'

The resumption of physical court hearings shall be conducted under the following guidelines.

GUIDELINES FOR RESUMPTION OF PHYSICAL COURT HEARINGS

Mandatory measures for all persons, including learned Judges, entering into Court complexes and Court rooms.

- (a) Masks shall be worn by everybody, preferably even during arguments in Court rooms.
- (b) Covid appropriate behavior as required by notifications of the State Government from time to time shall be maintained.
- (c) Spitting is strictly prohibited within the Court complexes.
- (d) There shall be no restriction as to the attendance of litigants inside the Court room. However, entry of persons unrelated to any case inside Court room may be restricted at the discretion of the Presiding Officer.

Non-cooperation and disregard of the guidelines may result in closure of the Court complex concerned and if any problems are encountered, it may result in the suspension of physical hearings under intimation to the High Court/Hon'ble The Chief Justice. The physical functioning of such Court would be restored only upon suitable instructions from the High Court/Hon'ble The Chief Justice. It is incumbent on the Sessions Judge and Judges/Magistrates of the Sub-Ordinate Courts to bring it to the notice of the High Court immediately if the above guidelines are not properly followed by stakeholders.

By order

Sd/-

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- 7. All the learned Judicial Officers, Manipur.
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- 9. The Assistant Solicitor General of India.
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- 11. The President, High Court Bar Association, Manipur.
- 12. The President, AMBA, Manipur.
- 13. The Joint Director, Manipur Judicial Academy.
- 14. All the Joint Registrars, High Court of Manipur.
- 15. The Principal Magistrates, all Juvenile Justice Boards.
- 16. All the Deputy Registrars, High Court of Manipur.
- 17. The Principal Secretary to Hon'ble The Chief Justice, High Court of Manipur.
- 18. All the Asst. Registrars/LRO/Court Managers, High Court of Manipur.
- 19. The P.S. to Hon'ble Justice L.S. Jamir, High Court of Manipur.
- 20. The P.S. to Hon'ble Justice M.V. Muralidaran, High Court of Manipur.
- 21. The P.S. to Hon'ble Justice A. Bimol Singh, High Court of Manipur.
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