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GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR
SECRETARIAT : TA & HILLS DEPARTMENT

ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR : MANIPUR

Imphal, the 7th May, 2013

No. 9/14/2006-CHA : Whereas, there were disputes regarding the post of Khunbuship which is also ex-officio Chairman of the Village Authority of Oinamlong Village, Tamenglong District, Manipur.

2. Whereas, the same dispute was decided on 5-2-1999 by following the customary law of the Zeliangrong community where the Kabui tribes were also included . And in that, Shri K.G. Bui lungpou was declared as the Khunbu of the Oinamlong Village.

3. Whereas, the Deputy Commissioner, Tamenglong issued orders No. DC/TML/15/1/87(VA)/98 dated 6-9-1999 for declaring Shri K.G. Bui lungpou as the Chairman of the Village Authority of Oinamlong village after referring to the connected provision of the Manipur (Village Authority in Hill Areas) Act, 1956 read with the letter No. 9/26/92-CHA(i) dated 31-8-1992 of the Government of Manipur, Hill Commissioner's Department.

4. Whereas, after issuing the said order dated 6-9-1999 of the Deputy Commissioner, Tamenglong, the dispute of Khunbuship continued between Shri K. G. Bui lungpou and Mathew Pheiga Gangmei of Oinamlong Village leading to the filing of 2 (two) Civil Suits being (i) O.S. No. 1/2004/6/2010/5/2011 and (ii) O.S. No. 2/2006 in the Court of Civil Judge (Jr. Division), Tamenglong which reached upto the Hon'ble Gauhati High Court as the appellate and revisional forum arising out of the said two Civil Suits and no other orders from the higher Court was passed which affects the proceedings of the said two Civil Suits.

5. Whereas, during the pendency of the said two Civil Suits the Principal Secretary (Hills), Government of Manipur passed orders No. 9/16/2008-CHA dated 30-8-2008 thereby declaring Mathew Pheiga Gangmei as the Khunbu and Ex-Officio Chairman of Oinamlong Village and its Village Authority by canceling the said orders dated 6-9-1999 of the Deputy Commissioner, Tamenglong issued in favour of K.G. Bui lungpou. Subsequently, the Commissioner (Hills), Govt. of Manipur issued orders being No. 9/14/2006 dated 25-8-2011 in favour of the said Mathew Pheiga Gangmei.

6. Whereas, both the two Civil Suits mentioned above were withdrawn by the respective parties on 19-4-2012 by filing (i) J.M. Case No. 18 of 2012 (Ref. :- O.S. No. 1/2004/6/2010/5/2011) by Mathew Pheiga Gangmei by submitting therein that he has no interest to the post of Khunbuship of Oinamlong Village and that he will not claim the post of Khunbu/Chief/Khullakpa of Oinamlong Village on the basis of the judgment and decree dated 23-7-1996 of the Ld. Civil Judge (Sr. Division), Manipur West passed in O.S. No. 12 of 1995 and (ii) J.M. Case No. 17 of 2012 (Ref. :- O.S. No. 2 of 2006) by K.G. Builungpou.

7. And whereas, after withdrawal of the said two Civil Suits as Shri Mathew Pheiga Gangmei was not having interest to the post of Khunbuship of Oinamlong Village, Shri K.G. Builungpou is now the Khunbu of Oinamlong Village after being declared by the customary law and being approved and reconfirmed by the order dated 6-9-1999 of the Deputy Commissioner, Tamenglong.

8. In the meantime, the Ld. Civil Judge (Jr. Division), Tamenglong vide its order dated 20-3-2012 passed in J.M. Case No. 2 of 2012 (Ref. :- O.S. No. 1 of 2012) has also restricted/prevented Shri Mathew Pheiga Gangmei and others from claiming the Khunbu or Chief of Oinamlong Village and also from claiming Chairmanship of Village Authority of Oinamlong Village basing on the judgment and decree dated 23-7-1996 of the Civil Judge (Sr. Division), Manipur West passed in O.S. No. 12 of 1995.

9. And whereas, after consideration of the above facts and circumstances the orders under No. 9/14/2006 dated 25-8-2011 of the Commissioner (Hills), Govt. of Manipur is hereby reviewed.

10. Now therefore, the Governor of Manipur is pleased to Order that Shri K.G. Builungpou of Oinamlong Village shall be the Khunbu and Ex. Officio Chairman of Oinamlong Village and its village authority subject to outcome of W.P. (C) No. 771 of 2012 in the High Court of Manipur and O.S. No. 6 of 2012 in the Court of Civil Judge (Sr. Division), Manipur West.

By orders & in the name of the Governor,

S.K. DEV VERMAN,
Commissioner (TA & Hills),
Government of Manipur.