

In The High Court at Calcutta

CONSTITUTIONAL WRIT JURISDICTION

(Appellate Side)

W.P.A. 19654 OF 2026

ANJU PANJI

VS.

THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL AND OTHERS

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Mr. Subrata Santra, Adv.
Ms. Gargi Dhang, Adv.

...For Petitioner

Ms. Chandreyi Alam (Gupta), AGP
Mr. Arhat Biswas, Adv.
Ms. Prisanka Ganguly, Adv.

...For State

Mr. Pinaki Ranjan Mitra, Adv.

...For Private Respondents

1. Affidavit-of-service filed on behalf of petitioner is taken on record.
2. Learned advocate representing petitioner alleges in-action on the part of concerned police authority to take steps based on complaint lodged. It is submitted that complaint of the petitioner is yet to be transformed into FIR.
3. Petitioner prays for direction upon concerned police authority to register FIR and initiate criminal prosecution and conduct investigation, in accordance with law.
4. State respondents and private respondents are represented by learned advocates.
5. There is an alternative remedy available to petitioner to approach jurisdictional Magistrate under Section 175(3) of BNSS, 2023 in the event complaint is not transformed into FIR. In this regard, reliance is placed on judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court reported in *(2007) 6 SCC 171 (Aleque Padamsee and others vs. Union of India and others)*.

6. Due to availability of alternative remedy, present writ petition is not entertained and same stands dismissed.
7. However, this order shall not preclude petitioner to approach jurisdictional Magistrate in pursuit of remedy.
8. Parties to act on the server copy of this order duly downloaded from the official website of this court.

(SAUGATA BHATTACHARYYA, J.)