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Court No. 2
Sourav

**Calcutta High Court
In the Circuit Bench at Jalpaiguri
Appellate Jurisdiction**

**W.P.A. 2312 of 2021
(Via Video Conference)**

**M/s. The Buxa Doors Tea
Company (India) Limited.**

Vs.

Regional Provident Fund Commissioner & Ors.

**Mr. Abhrajit Mitra
Mr. Jishnu Chowdhury
Mr. Debajit Kundu**

...For the Petitioner.

**Mr. Subir Kumar Saha
Mr. Bikramaditya Ghosh**

...For the State.

**Mr. Bhaskar Roy Mahashaya
...For the Provident Fund Authority.**

Heard Mr. Mitra, learned Senior Advocate along with Mr. Jishnu Chowdhury, learned Advocate for the petitioner.

The petitioner prays for instalments in respect of their dues payable to the respondent-Provident Fund Authorities.

It is unfortunate that the dues of the respondent authorities have been pending for more than a decade. It is needless to mention that delay of payment to a voiceless section of a society ultimately results in emasculation of the spirit and object behind any social or welfare legislation.

It is fairly submitted by Mr. Mitra appearing on behalf of the petitioner that the petitioner would made serious and genuine efforts to liquidate the entire dues payable to the respondent-Provident Fund Authorities.

The respondent-Provident Fund Authorities are represented and submit that they have initiated fresh proceedings and the Recovery Officer has also issued diverse orders inter-alia dated December 2, 2021. The presence of the respondent no. 3 is noted and dispensed with.

In view of the submissions made on behalf of the parties, WPA 2312 of 2021 is disposed of by directing the parties to ensure that the dues payable to the respondent-Provident Fund Authorities are recovered as expeditiously as possible and without any undue delay.

The respondent-Provident Fund Authorities are also directed to expeditiously conclude all the proceedings initiated by them against the petitioner and bring the same to their logical conclusion.

(Ravi Krishan Kapur, J.)