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W.P.A. 3990 of 2022
(Lakshman Chakraborty & Ors. vs. State of West Bengal & Ors.)

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Mr. Anirban Das
.... For the Petitioners

Mr. Soumitra Bandyopadhyay
Mr. Priyabrata Batabyal
.... For the State

Affidavit of service filed on behalf of the petitioners and the status report submitted on behalf of the State respondents are taken on record.

The petitioners claim to be recorded owners of the plot in question and complain that though the plot has been acquired by the State respondents, no compensation has been paid to them. The petitioners submitted a representation in this regard before the concerned authority on 12th August, 2021 which is yet to be considered. The petitioners pray for a direction upon the authority to consider the representation at the earliest.

It appears from the status report submitted on behalf of the State respondents that in reply to a letter issued by Block Development Officer, Gosaba Block, South 24 Parganas to the Special Land Acquisition Officer, South 24 Parganas dated 18th January, 2022 forwarding the Beneficiary List of Mouza

Kachukhali, J.L. No. 95, the Special Land Acquisition Officer by a letter issued on 17th February, 2022 has requested to take necessary measures to conduct field enquiry over the mentioned land schedule inviting all the concerned Government bodies as per statute and thereafter to convey a fresh BLMC meeting for further course of action.

Be that as it may, since the petitioners' representation is still pending before the authority, the concerned authority may be directed to consider the same within a stipulated time frame.

Upon consideration of the submission made on behalf of the parties as well as the material on record, the writ petition is disposed of directing the 4th respondent to consider and dispose of the representation submitted by the petitioners dated 12th August, 2021 within two months from the date of communication of this order upon affording reasonable opportunity of hearing to all the interested parties including the petitioners, in accordance with law.

The decision taken by the authority shall be communicated to the petitioners within a week thereof.

The writ petition is thus disposed of.

There shall be no order as to costs.

Since no affidavit has been invited, allegations contained in the writ petition shall be deemed not to have been admitted.

Urgent certified website copy of the order, if applied for, be given to the parties on compliance of requisite formalities.

(Suvra Ghosh, J.)