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Item No. 38
Ct. No. 238
AKG

WPA 6452 of 2023
Mredula Sasmal
Versus
State of West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Kanai Lal Samanta

...for the Petitioner

Ms. Debjani Sengupta,
Ms. Koyel Bag,
Ms. Shahina Haque,
Mr. Abhijit Chatterjee,
Ms. Jonaki Khan

...for Vidyasagar University

The petitioner claims for compassionate appointment. His father died in harness on June 28, 2011 while serving as a guard at Ghatal Satabarshiki Mahavidyalaya, Paschim Medinipur. It is not in dispute that at the time of death, the petitioner's father was aged about 59 years and only few months of his service were left. The college, however, has appointed the petitioner on an ad hoc basis as a laboratory clerk.

I am not inclined to entertain the prayer of the writ petition. The father of the petitioner died at the fag end of his service leaving only few months of service.

A compassionate ground is granted to alleviate the financial crisis faced by a family following the untimely death of the sole bread-winner of the family.

This assistance aims to provide support during difficult times.

In the present case, it was known to the family members that the petitioner's father would retire within a few months. The demise of the petitioner's father did not lead to any significant alteration in the retiral dues, including the pensionary benefits, which would have resulted from his usual retirement. Therefore, it cannot be said that the family encountered an abrupt financial crisis due to demise of father of the petitioner.

In that view of the matter, it is not a fit case where the petitioner can claim for compassionate appointment.

Accordingly, **WPA 6452 of 2023** is dismissed.

Urgent photostat certified copy of this order, if applied for, be supplied to the parties expeditiously on compliance of usual legal formalities.

(Kausik Chanda, J.)