

IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
CONSTITUTIONAL WRIT JURISDICTION
APPELLATE SIDE

WPA 16884 of 2023

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Vs.

The State Election Commission, West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Gangadhar Das

Mr. Tanmoy Chattopadhyay

... For the petitioner.

Ms. Sonal Sinha

Mr. Tarun Kumar Chatterjee

Mr. Sujit Gupta

Mr. Sayan Datta

Mr. Soumen Chatterjee

... For the Election Commission.

Mr. Sirsanya Bandopadhyay

Mr. Arka Kumar Nag

... For the State.

Affidavit of service filed in Court today is taken on record.

The petitioner contested the Panchayat General Elections, 2023.

She raises issue with regard to the missing ballot papers which were detected at the time of counting.

A representation was filed before the Block Development Officer on 14th July, 2023. The same is yet to be considered.

The said representation shall be considered and disposed of by the Block Development Officer at the earliest but positively by 9th August, 2023. A formal order shall be passed and communicated to the petitioner immediately thereafter.

The Panchayat Returning Officer is directed to

properly preserve the CCTV/Video footages and the ballot papers and to produce the same as and when called for.

The writ petition is disposed of.

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

(Amrita Sinha, J.)