

Item No.58

In The High Court At Calcutta
Constitutional Writ Jurisdiction
Appellate Side

21.07.2023
Ct-24

WPA 17000 of 2023

Md. Saiful Islam

v.

The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Samim Ahammed

Mr. Arka Maiti

Mr. Nazimuddin Siddiqui

Ms. Gulsanwara Pervin

Mr. Arka Ranjan Bhattacharyya

... for the petitioner.

Mr. Santanu Kumar Mitra

Ms. Rama Halder

... for the State.

The petitioner contested the Panchayat General Elections, 2023. His allegation is that though he was declared elected but the election certificate was not issued in his favour. The same was issued in favour of somebody else.

A complaint was lodged before the State Election Commission but the same is yet to be disposed of.

Without going into the merits of the allegation made in the complaint filed by the petitioner, the instant writ petition is disposed of by directing the respondent no. 4 to look into the complaint filed by the petitioner at the earliest, but positively within a period of ten days from the date of communication of a copy of this order.

A reasoned order shall be passed and communicated to the petitioner immediately thereafter.

The learned advocate for the petitioner is directed to forward a copy of the complaint dated July 13, 2023 along with all other supporting documents to the aforesaid respondent at the time of communicating the order of the Court.

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 stands disposed of.

Urgent photostat certified copy of this order, if applied for, be given to the parties on usual undertaking.

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(Amrita Sinha, J.)