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IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
Circuit Bench at Jalpaiguri
Constitutional Writ Jurisdiction

WPA No. 1649 of 2023

Harka Bahadur Thapa
Vs.
The State of W.B. & Ors.

Mr. Debajit Kundu
...for the petitioner.
Mr. Hirak Barman
Mr. Momenur Rahman ..for the State.

Affidavit of service filed by the petitioner is taken on record.

Heard learned counsels for the parties.

The petitioner was appointed as an Assistant Teacher of a high school and superannuated on 31st October, 2009. Despite completing all pension related formalities within due time the pension payment order was issued by the concerned authority on 22nd June, 2023. The arrear pension was disbursed in favour of the petitioner on 17th July, 2023. The petitioner has prayed for interest on the arrear pension amount due to delay in disbursal of the same.

Upon consideration of the submission made on behalf of the parties and material on record, the Director of Pension, Provident Fund and Group

Insurance, Government of West Bengal and the Treasury Officer, Kalimpong are directed to pay interest to the petitioner @ 8% per annum on the arrear pension amount calculated from 1st November, 2009 till the date of actual payment of the amount. Such payment be made within one month from the date of communication of this order.

With the above observations and directions the writ petition is disposed of.

However, there shall be no order as to costs.

Since no affidavit is invited, the allegations contained in the petition are deemed not to be admitted.

Urgent certified website copy of this order, if applied for, be supplied to the parties upon compliance with all requisite formalities.

(Suvra Ghosh, J.)