

WPA 29191 OF 2023

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Ct no. 2

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**Ashish Kumar Sharma, proprietor of the
business namely, M/s. Bengal Tar & Chemicals
- Vs -**

**The Deputy Commissioner, State Tax Bureau of
Investigation, South Bengal, Howrah Zone & Ors.**

Mr. Rajarshi Chatterjee,
Mr. Govind Jethmalia

... for the petitioner.

Mr. Anirban Ray, Ld. Govt. Pleader
Md. T. M. Siddiqui,
Mr. T. Chakraborty

... for the State.

Heard learned advocates appearing for the
parties.

By this writ petition petitioner has challenged
the impugned order of the appellate authority of the
WBGST authority dismissing the appeal of the
petitioner and confirming the order of the
adjudicating authority imposing the penalty in
question for expiry of e-way bill, the period of which
is more than four days between the time of expiry
and interception of the vehicle in question.

Petitioner submits that reason for expiry was
due to breakdown of the vehicle in question without
annexing any supporting documents to this writ
petition and by mere contending that the petitioner
had no intention to evade tax is not sufficient. If such

contention is accepted then transporting without a valid e-way bill will remain a piece of paper and mere idle formality.

In view of the discussion made above I find no merit in this writ petition being WPA 29191 of 2023 and accordingly the same is dismissed.

(Md. Nizamuddin, J.)