

Srl. No.19
25.01.2024
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**Calcutta High Court
In the Circuit Bench at Jalpaiguri
Appellate Jurisdiction**

W.P.A 138 of 2024

**Mantaj Ali
-versus
The State of West Bengal & Ors.**

**Mr. Subinay Dey
Mr. Debanjan Dey
... for the petitioner.**

**Mr. Joyjit Chaudhury
Ms. Bedashruti Bose
... for the State.**

The petitioner was awarded work order in connection with the construction of twin barrack at Jaldapara National Park.

The petitioner claims that the work was completed in accordance with the work order but neither the completion certificate nor full payment has been made for the work performed. Only part payment has been made in his favour.

The petitioner filed representations before the Divisional Forest Officer which are pending consideration.

Learned advocate representing the State respondents submits, upon instruction that, the petitioner failed to conclude the work in accordance with the work order.

As it appears that the representations filed by the petitioner are pending consideration at the end of the Divisional Forest Officer, accordingly, the writ petition is disposed of by directing the Divisional Forest Officer to consider the representations filed by the petitioner in accordance with law at the earliest but positively within a period of eight weeks from the date of communication of this order.

The petitioner shall be permitted to rely upon documents in support of his claim that the work was completed in accordance with the work order issued.

If it ultimately transpires that any amount is due and payable to the petitioner, then steps shall be taken by the said officer to release the admitted amount in favour of the petitioner at the earliest.

Learned advocate for the petitioner is directed to forward copy of the representations dated September 9, 2022 to the aforesaid officer at the time of communicating the order of this Court.

The writ petition stands 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.)