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WPA 1048 of 2020

**Krishna Mishra
Vs.
The State of West Bengal & Ors.**

Mr. Gazi Faruque Hossain,
Ms. Varsha Roy.

...for the Petitioner.

Ms. Munmuyn Tewary.

...for the State.

1. The present writ petition has been filed alleging inaction on the part of the Public Information Officer, Office of the Superintendent of Police, Baruipur Police District, in furnishing the information sought under Section 6 of the Right to Information Act, 2005.

2. Ms. Roy, learned Advocate appearing on behalf of the petitioner, submits that the petitioner had submitted an application under Section 6 of the Right to Information Act, 2005, seeking certain information from the concerned Public Information Officer as early as 6th June, 2018. However, despite receipt of the said application, no information has been furnished to the petitioner, nor has any order been passed in respect thereof. She further submits that, as per the petitioner's knowledge, certain internal departmental correspondences were made following receipt of the said application, yet no final decision has been taken thereon. Accordingly, she prays for a direction upon the Public

Information Officer to forthwith consider and dispose of the petitioner's application in accordance with law

3. Ms. Tewary, learned Advocate representing the State, submits that if a direction is given to the concerned Public Information Officer to take a decision on the petitioner's application, the State will not stand in the way.

4. Having heard the learned Advocates appearing for the respective parties, and upon perusal of the materials on record and taking note of the facts and circumstances of the case, the writ petition is disposed of by directing the Public Information Officer to take a decision on the application submitted by the petitioner under Section 6 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. If the Public Information Officer finds the petitioner's claim to be justified, the information shall be supplied to the petitioner in accordance with law. If the Officer finds that the information sought by the petitioner cannot be supplied, a reasoned order shall be passed, and the same shall be communicated to the petitioner.

5. The entire exercise shall be completed within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

6. The concerned respondent is directed to act on the server copy of this order without insisting upon production of the certified copy of this order by the petitioner.

7. With this observation, the writ petition is disposed of, however, without any order as to costs.

(Partha Sarathi Chatterjee, J.)