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27.03.2025
Ct. No. 18
(ARPAN)

W.P.A. 3619 of 2025

**Lipika Chatterjee
Vs.
The State of West Bengal & Ors.**

Mr. Ekramul Bari
Sk. Imtiaz Uddin

...for the Petitioner

Mr. Suman Dey
Ms. Kalpita Paul

...for the State

Affidavit-of-service filed on behalf of the
petitioner is taken on record.

Petitioner was appointed as Assistant Teacher in
Geography on and from 5th September, 1992 and was
granted honours graduate scale of pay for having
honours degree in Geography. Petitioner obtained post
graduate qualification in Geography from Vidyasagar
University through distance mode of education in 2014.
Petitioner claims post graduate scale of pay for obtaining
qualification in the relevant subject.

State respondents are represented by learned
advocates who submit that Headmaster of the school has
re-submitted the prayer for prior permission which needs
to be considered in accordance with law

Petitioner shall be at leave to make
representation before the District Inspector of Schools
(S.E.), Howrah being respondent no.3 by fortnight from
date claiming post graduate scale of pay for acquiring
higher qualification in the relevant subject of teaching. If
such representation is made within the aforesaid time,

respondent no.3 is directed to take decision on the claim of the petitioner after granting opportunity of hearing to the petitioner or her representative by eight (8) weeks thereafter and decision to be taken shall be communicated to the petitioner by ten (10) days thereafter.

With the above directions, writ petition stands disposed of.

Urgent photostat certified copy of the order, if applied for, be given to the parties, upon usual undertakings.

(Saugata Bhattacharyya, J.)