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**W.P.A. 5618 of 2025**

**Kirity Bhusan Mahata  
Vs.  
The State of West Bengal & Ors.**

Mr. Tarapada Das  
Mr. Mahadeb Khan  
Ms. Jonaki Khan  
...for the petitioner

Ms. Sanjukta Mukherjee  
Mr. Shrinjoy Das  
Ms. Kiron Roy  
Mr. Arvind Kumar Singh  
...for the respondent no. 7

Ms. Suchana Banerjee  
...for the State

Mr. Falguni Bandyopadhyay  
Ms. Riya Ballav  
...for the respondent no.6

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

Petitioner has come up with this writ petition  
claiming release of provident fund due to his  
retirement from the post of Headmaster on 31<sup>st</sup>  
October, 2018. Petitioner was Headmaster of  
Chandanpur Swami Vivekananda High School,  
Purulia. Learned advocate representing the  
petitioner submits on issuing Pension Payment  
Order retiral dues including pension have already  
been released in his favour but till date provident  
fund has not been paid by the respondent  
authorities.

Learned advocate representing the teacher-in-charge of the school has drawn attention of this Court to a document at page 16 of the writ petition wherefrom it appears that prayer of the petitioner for release of provident fund which was made vide letter dated 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2024 was forwarded to the President of the Managing Committee of the school on 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2024. It is also contended on behalf of the State authorities that District Inspector of Schools (SE) Purulia vide memo dated 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2025 requested the President of the Managing Committee of the school to release provident fund dues.

The President of the Managing Committee of the school is represented by learned advocate who has prayed for accommodation but same is refused considering the fact that petitioner retired on superannuation on 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2018 and even after expiry of more than six years till date provident fund has not been released in his favour.

Having considered the submissions made on behalf of the parties nothing is forthcoming from where it can be derived that petitioner is not entitled to receive provident fund dues. Therefore, the authority of Chandanpur Swami Vivekananda

High School, Purulia and its President being respondent no. 6 and teacher-in-charge being respondent no. 7 as well as the District Inspector of Schools (SE), Purulia being respondent no. 4 are directed to release provident fund dues in favour of the petitioner by 7 (seven) days from the date of communication of this order.

Petitioner shall be at liberty to claim interest before the concerned respondent authorities in accordance with law after the payment is made in terms of the order passed by this Court today.

Writ petition stands disposed of.

Urgent Photostat certified copy of this order, if applied for, be given to the parties on usual undertaking.

**(Saugata Bhattacharyya, J.)**