

20.03.2025
Item No.33,DL
Court No.19
AJ.

**IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
CONSTITUTIONAL WRIT JURISDICTION**

W.P.A. 5813 of 2025

**Maya Rani Bairi
-Vs-
The State of West Bengal & Ors.**

Mr. Banshi Badan Maity.
.....for the petitioner.

Mr. Moloy Roy.
.....for the State.

Affidavit of service filed on behalf of the
petitioner be kept with the record.

The husband of the petitioner was an
approved Head Teacher of a Primary School, who
retired on May 31, 2005 and died on January 26,
2009, i.e. prior to the Notification dated June 13,
2014 came into effect as such, could not exercise
the option to switch over from CPF to GPF Scheme.

The issue whether the petitioner being the
widow of such a teacher is entitled to arrear pension
of her deceased husband and family pension upon
refund of the contribution of the Government in the
Provident Fund account of the concerned teacher
with interest and additional interest thereon, in view
of the decisions of the Hon'ble Division Bench of this
Court passed in **FMA 864 of 2022 (*Pramila
Behara vs. The State of West Bengal & Ors.*)** and
in **FMA 620 of 2018 (*State of West Bengal & Ors.
vs. Sefali Jana & Ors.*)**, is no longer *res integra*.

The District Inspector of Schools (P.E.), Hoogly, the respondent no. 5 herein is therefore directed to calculate the amount required to be refunded by the petitioner to get the benefit of pension and upon deposit of the said amount, the said respondent, being the pension sanctioning authority shall verify the pension papers of the petitioner and shall send the same to the Director of Pension, Provident Fund and Group Insurance, Government of West Bengal, the respondent no.3 herein for further steps to be taken in accordance with law for issuance of the Pension Payment Order in favour of the petitioner.

The respondent nos. 5 & 3 shall complete their respective drills in this regard as expeditiously as possible.

WPA 5813 of 2025 is disposed of with the above terms without any order as to costs.

Parties to act on the server copy of this order duly downloaded from the official *website* of this Court.

Urgent Photostat certified copy of this order, if applied for, be supplied to the parties subject to compliance with all requisite formalities.

(Biswajit Basu, J.)