

13.02.2025
Item No.20
Ct. No.35
dc.

W.P.A. 18840 of 2024

**Rajea Khatun
versus
The State of West Bengal & Ors.**

Mr. Samiran Mandal,
Mrs. Matan Chakraborty,
Mr. Abhinaba Dan ... For the Petitioner.

Mr. K. J. Yusuf, AGP,
Mr. Sanjay Mukherjee ... For the State.

Mr. Sk. Rejaul Alam ... For the Respondent Nos. 6 & 7.

Mr. Nitish Samanta ... For the Respondent No.8.

Supplementary affidavit filed on behalf of the
petitioner be kept with the record.

Report submitted by the learned advocate
appearing for the State be also kept with the record.

The petitioner, who is aged about 67 years,
presently only restricts her prayer to stay at the
residential house by waiving her right so far as
other issues are concerned.

Learned advocate appearing for the private
respondent nos. 6 and 7 submits that the ground
floor of the residential house is vacant and there is
no impediment, if the petitioner goes and stays over
there.

State has submitted a report regarding the
steps taken by the police authorities.

Since the dispute is absolutely a family
dispute, the police authorities have their limitations

in exercising their powers. Accordingly, if the petitioner feels insecure, she would approach the police authorities who would provide a lady police constable as escort to the petitioner for entering the ground floor of the residential building. Every alternate day, the concerned lady police officer would visit and ensure whether the petitioner is subjected to any harassment/ill-treatment and thereafter, if she finds that there are circumstances which have been blown out of proportion, report to the Inspector-in-Charge, Panskura Police Station who would take steps in accordance with law. Such arrangement would continue for a period of four weeks.

In the meantime, the petitioner would approach the appropriate authority under the provisions of Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act, 2007. The concerned authority, if passes any direction upon the police authorities, the police authorities would respect, obey and implement such order.

With the aforesaid observations, the writ petition being WPA 18840 of 2024 is disposed of.

There will be no order as to costs.

All concerned parties shall 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 upon
compliance with all requisite formalities.

(Tirthankar Ghosh, J.)