

22.09.2025
Court No. 18
Item No.17 (DL)
(Suvendu)

WPA 20129 of 2025

Radha Rani Pradhan
-Versus-

The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Swapan Kr. Pal
Mr. Mahuya Dutta Biswas
..... for the petitioner

Mr. Debopriyo Karan
.....for the State

1. Affidavit of service filed on behalf of the petitioner is taken on record.
2. Petitioner being widow daughter of an Assistant Teacher has prayed for direction upon the concerned respondent authorities for release of family pension. Father of the petitioner died on 3rd October, 2005. Father was in receipt of pension. After death of father mother was receiving pension who died on 27th February, 2015. At the time of death of mother petitioner's husband was alive who subsequently died on 16th August, 2019. Petitioner made application for sanction of family pension and in support of same Legal Heirs Certificate dated 15th January, 2025 and Income Certificate dated 14th March, 2024 issued by the competent authorities are

relied upon which are annexed to this writ petition.

3. State respondents are represented by learned advocate who has submitted that if direction is given upon the District Inspector of Schools (SE), Purba Medinipur being respondent no. 5 prayer of the petitioner for sanction of family pension shall be considered in accordance with law.
4. Having considered the submissions made on behalf of the parties, writ petition stands disposed of granting leave to the petitioner to make a representation to respondent no. 5 by four weeks from date enclosing necessary documents claiming family pension. If such representation is made within aforesaid time, respondent no. 5 shall decide the same in accordance with law by four weeks thereafter. While deciding the claim of the petitioner, respondent no. 5 shall also be at leave to ask for relevant documents from the concerned authority of the school where father of the petitioner was working. Decision to be taken by respondent no. 5 shall be communicated to the petitioner by ten days thereafter. If petitioner is adjudged to be eligible to receive family pension, consequential steps shall be

taken for settling family pension case of the petitioner at an early date.

5. There shall be, however, no order as to costs.
6. Urgent photostat certified copy of this order, if applied for, be given to the parties on usual undertaking.

(Saugata Bhattacharyya, J.)