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Court No.19
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WPA 542 of 2026

Sushila Keeni & Ors.
-versus-
The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Souradeep Banerjee
Ms. Sanjana Sinha
..for the petitioners

Mr. Susovan Sengupta
Mr. Subir Pal
..for the State

The petitioners claim to be the successor-in-interest of the original lessee namely, David Harry Mansfield. The petitioners claim to have applied for mutation of the names of the legal heirs of the original lessee before the Special Engineer, Salt Lake Reclamation and Development Circle, Department of Urban Development and Municipal Affairs, Government of West Bengal by a letter dated September 17, 2025 in respect of a plot at Salt Lake.

The learned advocate appearing for the petitioners submits that after filing of the writ petition the petitioners were served with a letter dated January 13, 2026 requesting him to approach the office of the Land Manager, Bidhannagar, Department of Urban Development and Municipal Affairs regarding mutation of the plot in question as the office of the Special Engineer, Salt Lake Reclamation and Development Circle, Department of Urban Development and Municipal Affairs

is not vested with the power to mutate the names of the lessees of any plot in Salt Lake.

In view thereof, the writ petition being WPA 542 of 2026 stands disposed of by giving liberty to the petitioners to file an appropriate application for mutation before the Land Manager, Bidhannagar, Department of Urban Development and Municipal Affairs, Nagarayan, Salt Lake for mutation of the plot in question. If such an application along with relevant documents are submitted, such authority shall consider the same and dispose of the prayer of the petitioners for mutation as expeditiously as possible but positively within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of such representation after giving an opportunity of hearing to the petitioners or their authorized representative.

There shall be however no order as to costs.

Urgent certified photocopy of this order, if applied for, be supplied to the parties expeditiously on compliance of usual legal formalities.

(Hiranmay Bhattacharyya, J.)