

5th May, 2026
Item no.D/L 13
Court No. 18
Pradip, A.R.(Ct.)

In the High Court at Calcutta
Constitutional Writ Jurisdiction
Appellate Side

Case No. **WPA 737 of 2025**

In the matter of:
Santanu Mandal *.... Petitioner*
VS.
The Union of India & Ors. *....Respondents*

For the Petitioner:
Mr. Tulsi Das Roy
Mr. Tirthankar Roy *....Advocates*

For the Union of India:
Mr. Brojesh Jha
Ms. Arushi Rathore *....Advocates*

1. The petitioner participated for recruitment as Constable (GD) in Central Armed Police Force (CAPFs) SSF & Rifle GD in Assam Rifle Examination, 2024.
2. He was found deficient in chest measurement. He preferred an appeal on the self-same day and he was re-measured. The petitioner failed once again.
3. Thereafter, he filed a legal representation before the authority demanding re-measurement again. The petitioner alleges that the same was not responded to by the authority.
4. The petitioner got himself checked from a State government hospital and submits that the measurement recorded by the said hospital ought to be accepted by the authority.
5. The petitioner raises allegation with regard to the manner of measurement taken by the respondent authority.

6. Learned advocate for the petitioner relies upon a report of the Physical Efficiency Test conducted by the Border Security Force on 5th March, 2026 for recruitment of Constable (TM) for the year 2024-25 and submits that he qualified therein. It has been submitted that the measurement recorded by the authority in his current medical examination ought to be accepted by the authority.
7. The aforesaid submission and prayer of the petitioner is opposed by the learned advocate representing the Union of India.
8. On a perusal of the report filed by the learned advocate representing the Union of India, it appears that the authority accepted the petitioner's prayer for re-measurement which was submitted on the self-same day of the examination but he failed to reach the qualifying limit. The petitioner cannot seek re-measurement over and over again.
9. The submission of the petitioner regarding acceptance of the measurement recorded by the State government hospital cannot be accepted. As the petitioner participated for recruitment in the Central Armed Police Force, the medical certificate relied upon by the petitioner obtained from the State Government Hospital in support of the submission that he qualifies the measurement of chest. The decision of the appellate authority has to be treated as final and binding.
10. The report in a subsequent examination also cannot be accepted as the measurement taken on the day of the examination will be relevant.

11. In view of the above, no relief can be granted to the petitioner in the instant writ petition. The writ petition fails and is hereby dismissed.
12. Parties to act on the basis of the server copy of this order duly downloaded from the official *website* of this Court.
13. Urgent photostat certified copy of this order, if applied for, be supplied to the parties upon compliance of all requisite formalities.

(Amrita Sinha, J.)