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WPA 1688 of 2026

Palash Kumar Halder
Vs.
The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Sakti Pada Jana
Mr. Subhajyoti Das
.... for the petitioner

Mr. Benazir Ahmed
.... for the State

Mr. Sourav Mitra
.... for the SSC

1. Let affidavit-of-service, as filed in Court, be kept on record.
2. In spite of service, none appears on behalf of the school authorities.
3. The petitioner is an Assistant Teacher in Dumurhir High School, Purulia since 2010. The petitioner has applied for a transfer from the school, for which the school had duly issued "No Objection Certificate (NOC)".
4. The transfer was sought on the medical ground of the spouse of the petitioner. The spouse has also gone through the two-tier medical examinations, first by the school and then by the District Inspector of Schools (SE), Purulia.

5. The respondent no. 4 had thereafter forwarded his recommendation to the respondent no. 5 some time in 2022.
6. It appears from the record that the respondent no. 5 has not disposed of such application which is pending since 2022.
7. The respondent no. 5 or the concerned authority of the Commission is directed to consider and dispose of the application of the petitioner by April 30, 2026.
8. The suspension of 'Utsashree Portal' will not be an impediment for the concerned authority to consider the application for transfer of the petitioner. The same shall be considered in an offline mode.
9. If the Commission allows the application of the petitioner and in the event there is no vacancy in the preferred schools, the Commission will provide an option to the petitioner for other school where vacancies are available.
10. With the aforestated directions, the writ petition is, thus, disposed of.
11. There shall, however, be no order as to costs.
12. Urgent photostat certified copy of this order, if applied for, be supplied to the parties on usual undertaking.

(Reetobroto Kumar Mitra, J.)