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WPA 2013 of 2025
(Buddhadeb Bagdi vs. State of West Bengal & Ors.)

Ms. Pampa Dey Dhabal
Mr. Biswaroop Chatterjee
.... **For the Petitioner**
Mr. Lalit Mohan Mahata
Mr. Prasanta Behari Mahata
.... **For the State**

Affidavit of service filed on behalf of the petitioner is taken on record.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that his father was appointed as Panchayat Karmee under Uliara Gram Panchayat in 1985 and died in harness in 2003. The petitioner was employed as a Panchayat Karmee on contractual basis on compassionate ground on 22nd December, 2003 and has been rendering service since then. He applied for regularisation of his service in 2005 and 2006 pursuant to which the Pradhan of the Panchayat issued a certificate on 23rd February, 2009 to the effect that the petitioner was working in the sanctioned vacant post under the Panchayat. The Pradhan recommended regularisation of his service. Since no step was taken pursuant to such communication the petitioner again submitted a representation before the Block Development Officer, Bishnupur on 7th January, 2025 seeking regularisation of his service. The representation has also not been considered.

Opposing the prayer of the petitioner, learned counsel for the State submits that employment in the Panchayat is governed by the West Bengal Panchayat (Recruitment of

Employees of Gram Panchayat) Rules, 2007. The appointment of the petitioner needs to be considered in terms of the said Rules.

Upon consideration of the submission made on behalf of the parties, this Court is inclined to hold that since the representation submitted by the petitioner before the Block Development Officer, Bishnupur is pending, the said officer, being the 6th respondent herein, is directed to consider and dispose of the representation within four weeks from the date of communication of this order upon affording reasonable opportunity of hearing to all concerned including the petitioner, in accordance with law.

The decision taken by the authority shall be communicated to the petitioner within a week thereof.

The writ petition is thus disposed of.

There shall be no order as to costs.

Since no affidavit has been invited, allegations contained in the writ petition shall be deemed not to have been admitted.

Urgent certified website copy of the order, if applied for, be given to the parties on compliance of requisite formalities.

(Suvra Ghosh, J.)