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Ct. No. 15
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W.P.A. 3372 of 2026

**Ganga Chowdhury
Vs.
The State of West Bengal & Ors.**

Mr. Shahan Shah,
Mr. Md. Shahjahan,
Ms. Sanjita Sarkar,

....for the Petitioner

Mr. Dwarika Nath Mukherjee,
Mrs. Sipra Saha,

....for the State

Let the affidavit of service filed by the petitioner
be taken on record.

Respondent no.13 remains unrepresented
before this Court.

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the
petitioner submits that the Executive Officer, Kalyani
Panchayat Samiti, issued a lease in favour of the
petitioner for the operation and maintenance of Char
Jatra Siddhi Ferry Ghat within Kalyani Gram
Panchayat for a period of two years commencing from
July 26, 2025. Pursuant thereto, the petitioner has
been operating and maintenance the said ferry ghat.

It is further alleged that the respondent no.13,
without any authorization from the competent
authority, has also been conducting ferry operations
from Char Jatra Siddhi Ferry Ghat, Nadia to

Laxmibazar, Hooghly. According to the petitioner, such unauthorized operation has adversely affected his business.

The petitioner contends that, despite submitting a representation before the Executive Officer, Kalyani Panchayat Samiti, complaining against respondent no.13, no steps have been taken to prevent the alleged illegal ferry operations.

In the aforesaid circumstances, this writ petition is disposed of with a direction upon the Executive Officer, Kalyani Panchayat Samiti, to consider the representation of the petitioner received on December 3, 2025, within a period of one month from the date of communication of this order.

The said Executive Officer shall afford an opportunity of hearing to the petitioner as well as respondent no.13 and shall pass a reasoned order within the aforesaid period.

Accordingly, **WPA 3372 of 2026** stands disposed of.

There shall be no order as to costs.

Urgent Photostat copy of this order, if applied for, be supplied to the parties on an urgent basis.

(Kausik Chanda, J.)