

WPA 8013 of 2026**(Ashis Kumar Patra vs. State of West Bengal & Ors.)****Mr. Uday Narayan Betal****Mr. Bhaskar Hutait****.... For the Petitioner****Mrs. Shohini Chakraborty****Ms. Prajaani Das****.... For the Respondent no. 14**

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

The respondents are not represented except the 14th respondent.

The petitioner alleges that the private respondents have raised construction on agricultural land without conversion of the same and without obtaining sanction from the concerned Panchayat. The petitioner submitted a representation in this regard before the concerned authority on 25th February, 2026 and seeks consideration of the same.

Learned counsel for the 14th respondent produces copies of the sanctioned plan as well as conversion certificate which suggest that this respondent obtained such plan/certificate from the concerned authority prior to raising construction therein. In view of the same, the petitioner seeks consideration of the representation in so far as respondent nos. 9 to 13 and 15 to 17 are concerned.

Since it appears that the construction raised by the 14th respondent is supported by sanctioned building plan as well as conversion certificate, the Pradhan, Kakharda Gram Panchayat, being the 7th respondent herein, is directed to consider and dispose of the representation submitted by the

petitioner dated 25th February, 2026 in so far as respondent nos. 9 to 13 and 15 to 17 are concerned within six weeks from the date of communication of this order upon granting reasonable opportunity of hearing to all concerned including the petitioner and the private respondents, in accordance with law. The 14th respondent is exempted from appearing in the said hearing since he has been able to produce relevant documents in support of the construction raised by him.

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

In the event the construction raised by the private respondent nos. 9 to 13 and 14 to 17 is found to be illegal/unauthorised, the concerned authority shall take necessary steps, in accordance with law.

The writ petition is disposed of.

There shall, however, be no order as to costs.

Since no affidavit is invited, the allegations contained in the writ petition are deemed not to have been admitted.

Urgent certified website copy of this order, if applied for, be supplied to the parties upon compliance with all requisite formalities.

(Suvra Ghosh, J.)