

March 19, 2026
(39) ARDR

WPA 15339 of 2025

Omar Faruk Raj
Vs.
The State of West Bengal & ors.

Adv. Shaunak Ghosh,
Adv. Rajesh Naskar,
Adv. Amir Ali Sekh,

...for the petitioner.

Adv. Pankaj Halder,
Adv. Bidish Ghosh,
Adv. Tapas Kr. Manna,

...for the respondent nos. 8 & 9.

Adv. Lalit Mohan Mahata,
Adv. Prasanta Behari Mahata,

...for the State.

Affidavit of service filed by the petitioner and the report submitted by the State are taken on record.

The petitioner alleges defalcation of funds pertaining to various projects by the Pradhan, Kamarchak Gram Panchayat. The petitioner submitted a representation before the concerned authority on 23rd June, 2025 and seeks consideration of the same.

Learned counsel for the added respondents denies and disputes the allegations made by the petitioner.

It appears from the report submitted by the State that pursuant to the representation submitted by the petitioner, a letter was issued by the Block Development Officer, Kulpi, South 24 Parganas to the petitioner on 7th July, 2025 requesting him to mention the details of specific schemes in respect of which he has raised allegations of misappropriation of funds.

Learned counsel for the State submits that the letter has not been responded to by the petitioner.

In reply, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is not aware of the said letter.

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 has been taken into consideration by the Block Development Officer, Kulpi, being the 6th respondent herein and the petitioner has been requested to furnish details by the letter dated 7th July, 2025, the petitioner shall appear before the 6th respondent within seven days from date and submit the documents pertaining to his allegations before the authority.

The 6th respondent shall consider and dispose of the representation upon considering the documents submitted by the petitioner and upon affording reasonable opportunity of hearing to all concerned including the petitioner within two weeks from the date of receipt thereof.

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

The writ petition is accordingly disposed of.

There shall however, be no order as to costs.

Since no affidavit is invited, the allegations contained in the 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.)