

July 3, 2026
(18) ARDR

WPA 21962 of 2026

Keshab Chandar Mondal
Vs.
The State of West Bengal & ors.

Adv. Lakshminath Bhattacharya,
...for the petitioner.

Adv. Malyasree Maity,
Adv. Fardeen Hossain,
Adv. Nishant Kumar,
...for the respondent nos. 11 and 13.

Adv. Madhu Jana,
Adv. Rahul Agarwala,
...for the State.

The petitioner claims to be the co-owner of the plots in question with the private respondents. A civil suit is pending between the parties. The petitioner alleges that the private respondents are raising unauthorised construction in the said plots without obtaining sanction from the concerned authority. In response to an application made by the petitioner under the Right to Information Act, 2005, the Executive Assistant, Ramnagar-Gazipur Gram Panchayat informed that no permission was granted to the private respondents to raise a new construction in the plots in question. The petitioner submitted a representation in this regard before the concerned authority on 17th July, 2025 which is yet to be considered. The petitioner seeks consideration of the same.

Opposing such allegation, learned counsel for the private respondents submits that the construction is being raised by the private respondents upon obtaining sanctioned building plan and conversion of the land.

The contention of the private respondent is not in conformity with the information furnished by the concerned authority in response to the application filed under the Right to Information Act. In view of the fact that the representation submitted by the petitioner in this regard is pending, the Pradhan, Ramnagar-Gazipur Gram Panchayat, being the 9th respondent herein, is directed to consider and dispose of the same within four 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 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.)