

WPA 22364 of 2025

Chandan Kumar Bera
Vs.
The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Nayan Chand Bihani, Sr. Adv.
Mr. Sabyasachi Mondal
Mr. Sarthak Dey
Mr. Soumyajit Ghosh
Ms. Payel Khanra
.... for the petitioner

Mr. Supriyo Chattopadhyay
Ms. Iti Dutta
.... for the State

Mr. Anjan Bhattacharya
Ms. Anita Shaw
Ms. Seema Thakur
.... for the School

1. Let affidavit-of-service, as filed in Court, be kept on record.
2. The petitioner's grievance is that post retirement in July, 2024, he has not been paid a single farthing towards his pension and other retiral benefits.
3. Mr. Chattopadhyay, learned Advocate appearing with Ms. Dutta, learned Advocate for the State, submits that the concerned District Inspector of Schools, on the recommendation of the respondent no. 3, has raised certain objections.

4. Mr. Bihani, learned senior Advocate appearing for the petitioner, submits that such objections are well documented and can be explained by his clients.
5. Mr. Bhattacharya, learned Advocate appearing for the school, submits that the queries had been raised from time to time with the petitioner, most of which have been answered, though not all.
6. This is, however, disputed by the petitioner.
7. In view of the aforestated facts and circumstances, I direct the respondent no. 6 to hold a hearing in the presence of the petitioner and the school authorities to decide the issues as raised by the respondent no. 3 in its communication dated January 29, 2025.
8. The parties will be at liberty to disclose all documents either in support of or in order to answer the queries/ objections raised by the respondent no. 3.
9. Respondent no. 6 will conduct the hearing in the presence of the parties with adequate prior notice by May 15, 2026 and pass a reasoned order by June 15, 2026. The resultant order will be communicated to the petitioner as well as the school authorities by June 20, 2026.
10. In the event the decision is in favour of the petitioner, respondent no. 6 will forward the file to

the respondent no. 3 who will take necessary action in accordance with law to issue the requisite PPO in favour of the petitioner by July 15, 2026.

11. I make it clear that I have not gone into the merits of the case.
12. Since affidavits have not been called for, the allegations contained in the petition deemed to be denied.
13. With the aforestated directions, the writ petition is, thus, disposed of.
14. There shall, however, be no order as to costs.
15. Urgent photostat certified copy of this order, if applied for, be supplied to the parties on usual undertaking.

(Reetobroto Kumar Mitra, J.)