

IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
CONSTITUTIONAL WRIT JURISDICTION
APPELLATE SIDE

WPA 27434 of 2025

Krishna Ray
-vs-
The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Sk. Sahjahan Ali
... For the petitioner

Mr. Nara Narayan Ganguly
Mr. Pashupati Sana
... For the State

1. Affidavit of service filed in Court today is taken on record.
2. The petitioner prays for higher scale of pay on enhancement of his educational qualification.
3. The petitioner, in support of his entitlement for higher scale of pay, relies on the judgment delivered by the Special Bench of this Court on February 7, 2024 in the matter of Utpal Kanti Karan & Ors. -vs- State of West Bengal & Ors. reported in 2024 SCC Online 1274.
4. The petitioner submits that his case is covered by the ratio laid down in the aforesaid judgment.
5. As it appears that the representation of the petitioner seeking higher scale of pay is pending consideration at the end of the District Inspector of Schools (Secondary Education), North 24 Parganas, hence without entering into the merits of the claim of the petitioner, the instant writ petition is disposed of by directing the concerned District Inspector of Schools to

consider and dispose of the petitioner's application in accordance with law and in line with the law laid down by the Court in the above-mentioned judgment, after giving reasonable opportunity of hearing to the petitioner at the earliest but positively within twelve weeks from the date of communication of this order.

6. If the prayer of the petitioner is allowed, then necessary consequential steps shall be taken.

7. Learned counsel for the petitioner shall forward a copy of the legal representation dated 14th August, 2024 along with all supporting documents to the District Inspector of Schools at the time of communicating this order.

8. All parties shall act on the basis of a server copy of this order duly downloaded from the official website of this Court.

9. Urgent photostat certified copy of this order, if applied for, be given to the parties, upon compliance of necessary formalities.

(Amrita Sinha, J.)