

**HIGH COURT OF TRIPURA
AGARTALA**

WP (C) No. 842 of 2021

For Petitioner(s) : Mr. M Saha, Adv.

For Respondent(s) : Mr. M Debbarma, Addl. GA.

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S. TALAPATRA

Order

30.11.2021

Heard Mr. M Saha, learned counsel appearing for the petitioner and Mr. M Debbarma, learned Addl. GA appearing for the respondents on advance notice.

The petitioner has applied for compassionate appointment owing to the death of her husband namely, Jayanta Baidya, who died in harness while serving as the Sub-Inspector of Police (Unarmed Branch) on 26.02.2020. The petitioner had immediately applied for the relief under the Die in Harness scheme. It appears from the petition that the petitioner is a Science Graduate with honours in Physics and she is aged about 25 years.

Mr. Saha, learned counsel has drawn the attention of this court to one communication made by the Superintendent of Police, West Tripura, Agartala, to the Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Santirbazar, South Tripura vide the communication dated 15.05.2020 (Annexure-3 to the writ petition). By the said communication the Sub-Divisional Magistrate was asked to furnish a certificate called 'Economic Conditions of Candidate' certificate. According to the said Superintendent of Police, such certificate is essential for consideration of any relief under the Die in Harness Scheme.

This court is taken aback that such communication was made on 15.05.2020 but even after lapse of 1½ years therefrom, the petitioner even has not been apprised of what happened to her prayer for relief under the Die

in Harness Scheme. This is a sorry state of affairs and such inaction reflects that the executive inaction itself is instrumental in frustrating the very purpose of the Die in Harness Scheme.

In these circumstances, the respondents are directed to complete any inquiry or procurement of Economic Condition Certificate within a period of one month from today without fail and take a decision on the prayer of the petitioner under Die in Harness Scheme.

In terms of the above, this petition stands allowed and disposed of. A copy of this order be supplied to the counsels for the parties.

