

[Animesh Mandal -Vs- The State of West Bengal & Ors.]

Mr. Prahlad Chandra Ghosh
Mr. Subir Hazra

.... for the petitioner

Mr. Vimal Kumar Shahi .. Id. A.G.P.
Mr. Saitendra Nath Chaudhury
Mr. Subhajit Chaudhury

.... for the State

1. The petitioner is aggrieved that inspite of serving for more than eleven years in the respondent school, his service was not approved by the District Inspector of Schools (Secondary Education), South 24-Parganas. To that effect and for redressal of his grievance he has submitted a written prayer vide his letter dated 07.10.2022. The same is yet to be considered by the said respondent- District Inspector of Schools (Secondary Education), South 24-Parganas.

2. The State is obviously opposing the prayer of the petitioner on the ground that regarding approval the respondent is duty bound under the provisions of the School Service Commission Act, 1997, to follow the provisions thereof.

3. Considering all as above, this Court is inclined to direct the respondent-District Inspector of Schools (Secondary Education), South 24-Parganas to consider and dispose of the petitioner's prayer vide his letter dated 07.10.2024. In doing so, it shall afford opportunity of hearing to the petitioner and the school and any other authority or person as he thinks fit and proper. He shall also take into consideration the relevant provisions of law or judicial verdicts as referred to before it by the petitioner or any

other parties. It shall dispose of the said prayer of the petitioner by a reasoned order, within a maximum period of four weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

4. The writ petition is disposed of.
5. There shall be no order as to costs.
6. All parties shall act on a server copy of this order duly downloaded from the official *website* of this Court.

(Rai Chattopadhyay, J.)