

WP(C) 3416/2016

BEFORE

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NELSON SAILO

Heard Mr. NC Das, the learned counsel for the writ petitioner and Ms. M Bhattacharjee, the learned counsel for the respondent Nos. 1 to 4. Also heard Ms. R Akhtar, the learned counsel who appears for the Accountant General Office.

By this writ petition, the petitioner has impugned the decision of the respondent authorities and the action taken thereafter in deducting the gratuity of her late husband who was a State Civil servant. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that such deduction would be impermissible in law. He therefore submits that the writ petition may be heard expeditiously. The learned State counsel Ms. M Bhattacharjee however prays that she may be given a month's time to file affidavit-in-opposition.

Considering the issue raised, the respondents shall ensure filing of the affidavit on or before 21.9.2017 and shall also produce the relevant records on the next date.