

June 6, 2022
Sl. No.6 & 7
Court No.1
s.biswas

WPA (P) 139 of 2022

Sumitra Bhattacharyya (Neogi)
vs.
The State of West Bengal and others

With

WPA (P) 142 of 2022

Mary Dutta and others
vs.
The State of West Bengal and others

Mr. Rajdip Ray,
Mr. Pratip Kumar Chatterjee,
Mr. Manojit Bhattacharyya,
Ms. Mousomee Shome,
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... for the petitioner
in WPA (P) 139 of 2022

Ms. Susmita Saha Dutta,
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Ms. Pallabi Chatterjee, Advocates

... for the petitioners
in WPA (P) 142 of 2022

Mr. Billwadal Bhattacharyya, Asst. Solicitor General
Mr. Tarunjyoti Tiwary,
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...for the respondent No.2
in WPA (P) 142 of 2022

Mr. Sumit Roy, Advocate

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in WPA (P) 142 of 2022

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... for the State

Learned Advocate General has pointed out that in respect of Matia, Bansdroni and English Bazar incidents, the investigation is complete and chargesheets have already been filed. Therefore, the only surviving issue is

in respect of compensation as also relating to lack of electricity.

He has also submitted that in respect of Deganga incident, the investigation is almost over except that the DNA report is awaited. On receipt of the same, the chargesheet will be filed.

Learned counsel for the petitioner does not dispute that in respect of the matters where the chargesheets have been filed, surviving issues are only about victim compensation and lack of electricity.

In the matters where the chargesheets have already been filed, the trial court will proceed with the trial and make an endeavour to conclude the trial expeditiously.

Learned counsel for the respondent No.4 (Electricity Distribution Company) has filed the report in the form of affidavit today by supplying a copy thereof to learned counsel for the petitioner.

Learned counsel for the petitioner is granted time to examine the report and file exception, if required.

Meanwhile it will be open to learned counsel for the petitioner to file an appropriate application in respect of the issue relating to victim compensation.

Learned Advocate General as also learned counsel for the petitioner have sought time to obtain instruction if any compensation to the victim/family members of the victim in terms of the order of this Court dated 02.05.2022 has been paid.

List on 28th June, 2022.

[Prakash Shrivastava, C.J.]

[Rajarshi Bharadwaj, J.]