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WPA 7431 of 2026

Siddhartha Chatterjee & Ors.

Versus

State of West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Firdous Samim

Ms. Gopa Biswas

Mr. Mainak Ghosal

Mr. Ayush Majumder

...for the petitioners

Mr. P.K. Roy, Sr. Adv.

Mr. Asis Dutta

...for the respondent no.2

Mr. Srijan Nayak

Ms. Rituparna Maitra

...for the respondent nos.3,8&11

Affidavit of service filed in Court is taken on record.

The petitioners filed a writ petition being WPA 17648 of 2025 to set aside the election process of the delegates' election of Nabagram Peoples Co-Operative Credit Bank Ltd. held on 15th June, 2025 and the subsequent notice dated 26th June, 2025 for conducting the election of the Board of Directors.

The petitioners allege that the petitioners along with others were not allowed to enter inside the polling station. The petitioners state that malpractices were done by the respondent authorities and the election of delegates was done by adopting unfair means. The petitioners lodged complaints before the Police Authorities as well as the Co-operative Election Commission as well as other authorities.

Taking note of the submission made by the learned Advocate representing the Co-operative Election Commission that the election of delegates had already been held on 15th June, 2025, the Co-ordinate Bench by an order dated 5th August, 2025 disposed of the writ petition by directing the

Co-operative Election Commission to decide upon the disputes raised by the petitioners in accordance with law by treating the same to be a dispute within the meaning of Regulation 3(35)(i) of the West Bengal Co-operative Election Commission Regulations, 2012 after affording opportunity of hearing to the petitioners and others.

Pursuant to the said order, the Co-operative Election Commission has passed an order dated 11-11-2025, which is under challenge in this writ petition.

Mr. Nayak, learned Counsel appearing for the Co-operative Election Commission submits, on instruction, that in the meantime the election of the Board of Directors has been held in terms of notice dated 26th June, 2025. He draws the attention of the Court to the order dated 5th August, 2025 passed in WPA 17648 of 2025 wherein it was recorded that the elected candidates in the delegate election had not been impleaded as party respondent in the earlier writ petition. He further submits that the elected candidates of the Board of Directors Election have also not been impleaded as party respondents in this writ petition.

Faced with such situation, the learned Advocate appearing for the petitioners prays for leave to add left out parties as party respondents in this writ petition.

Such leave is granted.

The petitioners are directed to add left out parties as party respondents in this writ petition.

Nabagram Peoples Co-operative Credit Bank Ltd. being the respondent no.9 is directed to supply names of the elected Board of Directors as well as elected delegates to the learned Advocate for the petitioners within a week from

receipt of the server copy of this order.

The learned Advocate for the petitioners is directed to communicate the server copy of this order to the non-appearing respondents.

List this matter after re-opening of this Court after Summer Vacation.

(Hiranmay Bhattacharyya, J.)