

IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA

CONSTITUTIONAL WRIT JURISDICTION

(APPELLATE SIDE)

WPA 10410 of 2026

Ranita Chatterjee

-Versus -

The State of West Bengal & Others

Mr. Samrat Das

.....for the petitioner

1) Learned advocate representing the petitioner submits that after filing of this writ petition on 28th April, 2026 in connection with criminal prosecution being Bakultala Police Station Case No. 242/2026 dated 21st April, 2026 notice under section 35(3) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 was issued to the petitioner. Copy of said notice dated 1st May, 2026 issued by the concerned police authority is placed before this Court and same is taken on record.

2) Learned advocate representing the petitioner submits that she is ready to attend the Police Station in compliance of notice dated 1st May, 2026 but at the same time apprehension is expressed that appearance of the petitioner before the police authority may lead to her arrest.

3) In spite of service of notice, State respondents are not represented.

4) In the event petitioner complies with the notice dated 1st May, 2026, no coercive steps shall be taken against the petitioner till 19th June, 2026. Non-compliance of notice dated 1st May, 2026 by the petitioner would result in recalling of the order passed today whereby concerned police authority is directed not to take any coercive step against the petitioner.

5) Learned advocate for the petitioner is directed to communicate this order to Officer-in-Charge, Bakultala Police Station, Baruipur Police District immediately.

6) Petitioner is directed to file a supplementary affidavit to bring on record relevant documents including notice dated 1st May, 2026 issued under section 35(3) of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 by seven days from date.

7) Let notice be served upon learned advocate representing the State respondents by seven days from date.

8) List the matter under the same heading on 8th June, 2026.

(Saugata Bhattacharyya, J.)