

WPA 15954 of 2026

Roji Khatun
Vs.
The State of West Bengal & ors.

Adv. Sarwar Jahan,
Adv. Sayantan Hazra,
Adv. Shalini Sen,
Adv. Sahina Parvin,
Adv. Emarul Kayes,

...for the petitioners.

Adv. Mrinal Kanti Sardar,
Adv. Subhanwita Ghosh,

...for the State.

The petitioner who is the Upa Pradhan of Nawada Jodupur Gram Panchayat has assailed the notice of meeting issued by the Prescribed Authority on 1st July, 2026 fixing the date of meeting on 9th July, 2026.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the no confidence motion was floated by the private respondents/requisitionists on 25th June, 2026 and received by the Prescribed Authority on the same date. The Prescribed Authority issued a notice on 25th June, 2026 fixing 1st July, 2026 for verification. The no confidence motion was served upon the petitioner at her residential address as well as office on 3rd July, 2026. Surprisingly, the Prescribed Authority issued a notice on 1st July, 2026 fixing 9th July, 2026 for the meeting. The said notice was issued by the Prescribed Authority without satisfying himself that the no confidence motion conformed to the requirements of sub section (2) of Section 12 of the West Bengal Panchayat Act, 1973. The notice is therefore bad in law.

There is substance in the submission made on behalf of the petitioner.

The State is directed to submit a report responding to the contention of the petitioner in the writ petition.

The meeting fixed today, i.e., on 9th July, 2026 at 12.30 pm. be stayed till the adjourned date.

The petitioner is directed to serve copy of the application along with annexure thereto upon the private respondents and file affidavit of service on the adjourned date.

Let the matter appear under the same heading on 16th July, 2026.

(Suvra Ghosh, J.)