

04.08.2026
Court No.652
Item Nos.61 & 62
AP

WPCRC 35 of 2026
In
WPA 22815 of 2023
Siddheswar Bhandari
Vs.
Mr. Santanu Kumar Sinha, The District Inspector of
Schools (SE), South 24-Parganas and Anr.
With
WPCRC 172 of 2026
In
WPA 22773 of 2023
Pradip Halder
Vs.
Mr. Santanu Kumar Sinha, The District Inspector of
Schools (SE), South 24-Parganas and Ors.

Mr. Pankaj Halder

... For the Petitioners.

Ms. Reshmi Ghosh

Mr. Ghanshyam Pandey

... For the alleged contemnor.

1. In WPCRC 35 of 2026 none appears for the alleged contemnor.

2. Ms. Reshmi Ghosh, learned advocate, is requested to represent the alleged contemnor in the said contempt application. Let her appointment be regularized in due course of time.

3. As per rule issued, the District Inspector of Schools (SE), South 24-Parganas is personally present in Court.

4. According to submissions made by both the parties, arrears salary for the period from May 1, 1997 to April 30, 2000 and November 1, 2003 to January 6, 2015 has already been released in favour of the petitioner, as per direction of the Court.

5. Next comes the question of issuance of pension in favour of the petitioner. It transpires from the submission of the respective parties as well as record that the petitioner has submitted original service book and pension

booklet along with other documents to the school authority.

6. According to Ms. Reshmi Ghosh, representing the alleged contemnor, the school has not yet forwarded the necessary documents for release of pension to the petitioner and replied to the queries put forth in this regard. It appears that the petitioner has not made the school authority a party in the instant contempt application.

7. At this stage Mr. Pankaj Halder has sought leave to add the Teacher-in-Charge as a party to the instant contempt applications. Leave is granted. Let the cause title of the contempt application be modified accordingly and copy of the contempt application be served upon the added alleged contemnor.

8. The Court is primarily satisfied that so far as release of salary and taking necessary steps for issuance of pension to the petitioner, the alleged contemnor / District Inspector of Schools (SE), South 24-Parganas has taken adequate and necessary steps till date. In view thereof, his personal appearance is hereby dispensed with.

9. Let this matter come up in the list for further consideration on 21st August, 2026.

10. The petitioner shall serve copy of the contempt application to the newly added alleged contemnor/ Teacher-in-Charge and file affidavit of service on the next date of hearing.

(Rai Chattopadhyay, J.)