

January 14, 2026  
Sl. No.41  
Court No.1  
s.biswas

WPA(P) 358 of 2025  
With  
CAN 1 of 2025

*Pratap Pal and others*  
*vs.*  
*The State of West Bengal and others*

Mr. Sabyasachi Chatterjee  
Mr. Dyutiman Banerjee  
Mr. Ayanava Das

... for the petitioners

Mr. Nilotpal Chatterjee  
Mr. S. Banerjee

... for the State

Mr. Shankar Ranjan Sen

... for the respondent nos.7 & 8/ RVNL

Per, Partha Sarathi Sen, J.

1. The writ petitioners, the State and the respondent nos.7 and 8 are represented through their respective learned counsel. None appears on behalf of the Howrah Municipal Corporation though on the last occasion Mr. Sandipan Banerjee and Mr. Ankit Sureka, learned advocates appeared on behalf of the respondent Howrah Municipal Corporation and its instrumentalities.
2. No report is filed by Howrah Municipal Corporation though an undertaking was given by the learned counsel for Howrah Municipal Corporation to that effect on the last occasion.
3. As a last indulgence, we direct the Howrah Municipal Corporation to submit its report positively within 3 weeks hence after serving advance copies of the same to the learned

advocates for the writ petitioners as well as for other contesting respondents.

4. Exception(s) to such report, if therebe any, is/are to be filed within a week thereafter.
5. List the matter on 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2026.
6. Since Howrah Municipal Corporation is not represented today, we request the learned counsel for the writ petitioners to communicate the server copy of this order to Mr. Banerjee, learned counsel for the Howrah Municipal Corporation.
7. The question of maintainability of the instant writ petition as against the respondent nos.7 and 8 is however kept open.

**(Sujoy Paul, A.C.J.)**

**(Partha Sarathi Sen, J.)**