

23.06.2026
Item No.22
Ct. No. 236
RP

WPA/23307/2025
TAPAN KUMAR DEY
VS
THE SECRETARY OF PANCHAYET AND RURAL
DEPARTMENT AND ORS.

Mr. Krishna Deo Das
... for the Petitioner
Ms. Ahana Biswas
... for Private Respondent

1. The writ petitioner and the private respondents are represented by their respective learned advocate.
2. None appears on behalf of the respondent/State.
3. Learned counsel for the private respondents submits before this Court that she has already served an advance copy of the affidavit-in-opposition to the learned advocate of the writ petitioner. However, since affirmation is not complete she is not in a position to file the same.
4. In view of such, the private respondents are permitted to file affidavit-in-opposition within one week hence. Affidavit-in-reply, if there be any, is to be filed within one week thereafter.
5. Since respondent/State and its instrumentalities are also the contesting respondents and in view of change of panel of the learned advocates for the

State, this Court directs the writ petitioner to cause service of a copy of the instant writ petition with all annexures and a copy of the supplementary affidavit dated 20.03.2026 together with a copy of the server copy of today's order in the office of the learned Government Pleader, High Court, Kolkata and to file proof of service on the adjourned date.

6. The learned advocate for the writ petitioner is further requested to communicate the server copy of today's order to the chamber of learned Legal Remembrancer, Government of West Bengal, Writer's Building, 1st Floor, Kolkata-700001 under the cover of a forwarding letter and to file proof of service on the adjourned date.
7. Let this matter be listed under the heading "Writ Hearing" in the Combined Monthly List of August 2026.
8. **It is made clear that in the event none appears on behalf of the respondent/State and its instrumentalities, the instant matter will be taken up in their absence.**

(PARTHA SARATHI SEN, J.)

