

3rd Dec., 2025

Item no.D/L 03
Court No. 18

Pradip, A.R.(Ct.)

In the High Court at Calcutta
Constitutional Writ Jurisdiction
Appellate Side

Case No. **WPA 26301 of 2025**

In the matter of :

Rathindra Nath Chatterjee & Ors.

.... Petitioners

VS.

The State of West Bengal & Ors.

....Respondents

For the Petitioners:

Mr. Dibyendu Chatterjee
Mr. Sasthi Charan Dhara

....Advocates

For the WBBSE:

Ms. Koyeli Bhattacharyya
Mr. Bibek Dutta

....Advocates

For the WBCSSC:

Mr. Kalyan Bandopadhyay, Sr. Adv.
Mr. Biswaroop Bhattacharyya
Ms. Pramiti Bandopadhyay
Mr. Arka Kumar Nag
Mr. Rahul Kumar Singh

....Advocates

For the State:

Mr. Biplab Guha
Mr. Kartik Chandra Kapas

....Advocates

For the Respondent nos. 9 &10:

Mr. Suman Dey

....Advocate

1. Leave granted to the advocate on record of the petitioners to pay the deficit Court fees in the department by tomorrow.
2. The petitioners claim to be re vocational teachers. They participated in the 2nd SLST-2025. They seek marks on account of prior teaching experience.

3. According to the respondents, as the petitioners do not teach against substantive posts, they will not be entitled to marks on account of prior teaching experience.
4. The issue as to whether vocational teachers can be treated to be teaching in substantive posts or not enabling them to be awarded marks on account of prior teaching experience is to be decided.
5. The process of credential verification is ongoing and thereafter interview will follow. As the issue is under active consideration by the Court, accordingly, any step taken in the recruitment process in respect of the petitioners shall abide by the result of the writ petition.
6. The Commission, the State and the West Bengal State Council of Technical & Vocational Education and Skill Development (Technical Education Division) shall file a report by way of an affidavit disclosing their stand by 12th December, 2025.
7. It will be open for the petitioners to file exception to the reports.
8. Relist the matter for further consideration on 23rd December, 2025.

(Amrita Sinha, J.)