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Item No.3,DL
Court No.19
AJ.

**IN THE HIGH COURT AT CALCUTTA
CONSTITUTIONAL WRIT JURISDICTION**

**W.P.A. 29050 of 2024
(Assigned)**

Manashi Paul

-Vs-

The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Ashis Kumar Chowdhury,
Mr. Biswarup Biswas,
Mr. Rajib Ghosh,
Mr. Babhru Bahan Bera.
.....for the petitioner.

Mr. Supriyo Chattopadhyay, Ld. A.G.P.,
Ms. Sayantanee Bhattacharjee.
.....for the State.

Dr. Sutanu Kumar Patra,
Ms. Supriya Dubey.
.....for the WBCSSC.

Dr. Patra, learned Counsel for the West Bengal School Service Commission prays extension of time to file the affidavit-in-opposition to the writ petition.

Mr. Chowdhury, learned Counsel for the petitioner submits that on March 06, 2025 the Commission shall conduct the 4th round of counselling of the empanelled candidates of the 1st State Level Selection Test, 2016 for Upper Primary level of Schools and if the petitioner is not allowed to participate for the said counselling, she would be highly prejudiced.

Dr. Patra submits that at this stage the petitioner cannot be allowed to participate in the counselling as it would deprive an eligible candidate to choose his/her preferred school.



Having heard the learned Advocate for the parties and on perusal of the materials-on-record, I am of the opinion that the petitioner if succeeds in the present writ petition, the Commission must give her an opportunity to make a choice of her preferred school.

Time to file affidavit-in-opposition is extended by **March 10, 2025** from date; reply thereto, if any, be filed by **March 13, 2025** from the date of receipt of a copy of the said affidavit-in-opposition.

Matter be listed on **March 17, 2025** under the same heading.

Parties to act on the server copy of this order duly downloaded from the official *website* of this Court.

Urgent Photostat certified copies of this order, if applied for, be supplied to the parties subject to compliance with all requisite formalities.

(Biswajit Basu, J.)