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Calcutta High Court
In the Circuit Bench at Jalpaiguri
Appellate Jurisdiction

W.P.A. 457 of 2022
(via video conference)

Galejan Bibi & Anr.
-versus
The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Ms. Papiya Chattopadhyay
Ms. Madhushri Dutta ... For petitioners

Mr. Kunaljit Bhattacharjee ... For the Municipality

Mr. Subir Kumar Saha, Ld. A.G.P.
Mr. Pretom Das ... For the State

The husband of the petitioner no. 1 and the father of the petitioner no. 2 was employed with the Mekliganj Municipality. The employee died in harness on 29th October, 2016. The widow made an application for grant of compassionate appointment on 3rd November, 2016. The daughter that is the petitioner no. 2 also made an application on 14th September 2017.

The petitioners allege that none of the representations praying for grant of compassionate appointment has been taken up for consideration by the Municipality till date.

As it appears that the applications for compassionate appointment of the petitioners are pending consideration at the end of the Municipality accordingly, no useful purpose will be served by keeping the writ petition pending.



The writ petition is accordingly disposed of by directing the Mekliganj Municipality to take a decision in respect of the application made by the petitioners for grant of compassionate appointment strictly in accordance with law, at the earliest, but positively within a period of eight weeks from the date of communication of a copy of the order.

The said respondent shall pass a reasoned order and communicate the same to the petitioner immediately thereafter.

Writ petition stands disposed of.

Urgent Photostat certified copy of this order, if applied for, be given to the parties, after completion of all legal formalities.

(Amrita Sinha, J.)