

**CALCUTTA HIGH COURT CIRCUIT BENCH
AT JALPAIGURI**

WPA 807 of 2022
**(Ms. Swetna Rai Vs. The Principal Secretary,
Department of Education & Ors.)**

Mr. Pratap Khati

..... For the petitioner

**Mr. Subir Kumar Saha
Mr. Momenur Rahman**

..... For the State

Ms. Supriya Singh

..... For the respondent no. 2

Mr. Nabankur Paul

..... For the respondent no. 4

As prayed for, leave is granted to the learned advocate-on-record of the petitioner to correct the cause-title of the petition.

Mr. Khati, learned advocate appearing for the petitioner submits that without any public notification or advertisement, post of a Computer Teacher in Saraswati Higher Secondary School, Peshok had been filled up by the authorities in a most arbitrary and illegal manner. The son of the respondent no. 4 had been accommodated in the said post. Ventilating such grievance, the petitioner submitted a representation to the authorities on 24th December, 2021 but the same had not been responded to. Aggrieved thereby, the petitioner has approached this Court.

Ms. Singh, learned advocate enters appearance on behalf of the respondent no. 2 and prays for an accommodation to avail necessary instruction.

Mr. Paul, learned advocate appearing for the respondent no. 4 disputes the contention of the petitioner and submits that the selection process was conducted in accordance with law.

Mr. Saha, learned advocate enters appearance on behalf of the State.

Upon hearing the learned advocates appearing for the respective parties and considering the materials on record, I am of the opinion that the issue needs to be decided upon exchange of affidavits.

Accordingly, the respondents are directed to file their affidavits-in-opposition within three weeks from date. Reply thereto, if any, be filed within a week thereafter.

The parties would be at liberty to mention the matter for final hearing after expiry of the period as specified above towards exchange of affidavits.

(Tapabrata Chakraborty, J.)