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**Calcutta High Court
In the Circuit Bench at Jalpaiguri**

WPA 1040 of 2026

Smt. Gita Kar

-vs-

The State of West Bengal and Ors.

Mr. Rajlakshmi Ghatak

.....for the petitioner

Mr. Kunaljit Bhattacharjee, Ld. AGP.

Mr. Abhijit Raha

.....for the State

The petitioner was engaged as a "Sputum Collector" in connection with a project undertaken for the eradication of tuberculosis from the country.

It appears that, subsequently, the State entrusted the work of sputum collection and transportation to non-governmental organizations. Thereafter, the petitioner was engaged by one such non-governmental organization. However, the petitioner's engagement was discontinued with effect from March 31, 2020, as the State no longer required the services of "Sputum Collectors." Consequently, the petitioner became unemployed.

By filing the present writ petition, the petitioner seeks re-engagement by the State as a "Sputum Collector."

This Court is not inclined to examine the merits of the petitioner's claim in the present proceedings.

Accordingly, the writ petition is disposed of by directing the Chief Medical Officer of Health, Cooch Behar, to consider the petitioner's representation and pass a reasoned order, in accordance with law, within a period of two months from the date of communication of this order.

Accordingly, **WPA 1040 of 2026** is disposed of.

Urgent photostat certified copy of this order, if applied for, be supplied to the learned advocates for the parties in usual undertakings.

(Kausik Chanda, J.)