November 13, 2026
(9) ARDR

WPA 18827 of 2026

Saikat Pradhan
Vs.
The State of West Bengal & ors.

Adv. Amit Baran Dash,
Adv. Ankana Sarkar,
…for the petitioner.

Adv. Subhankar Chakraborty,
Adv. Bijay Lakshmi Sil,
Adv. Sayani Gupta,
Adv. Atindra Rai,
…for the State.

Affidavit of service filed by the petitioner and the report submitted by the State are taken on record.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has been provisionally appointed as pump operator for pump house no.2 for Kanpur Zone III, Ramnagar II Block by Aparna Construction who obtained tender for water supply in the locality. He performed his duty till 4th May, 2026 and was restrained from discharging his duty since 5th May, 2026 by some unknown persons who put a padlock to the pump house. The petitioner submitted a representation in this regard before the Block Development Officer, Ramnagar II on 8th May, 2026 seeking appropriate steps so that he is able to operate the pump. The pump is still non functional.

It appears from the report submitted by the State that the Block Development Officer has taken up the issue with the police authority requesting the latter to take necessary steps in order to give access to the petitioner to the pump house. Learned counsel for the State submits

that such access shall be given to the petitioner on and from 14th November, 2026.

In view of the above, nothing further remains to be dealt with in the writ petition.

The Block Development Officer, Ramnagar II, being the 5th respondent herein and the Officer in charge, Ramnagar Police Station, being the 7th respondent herein, are directed to take necessary steps so that the petitioner is able to operate the pump from 14th November, 2026 onwards without out any hindrance from any corner whatsoever until his service is terminated in accordance with law.

The writ petition is accordingly disposed of.

There shall, however, be no order as to costs.

Since no affidavit is invited, the allegations contained in the writ petition are deemed not to have been admitted.

Urgent certified website copy of this order, if applied for, be supplied to the parties upon compliance with all requisite formalities.

(Suvra Ghosh, J.)