26th November,
2026
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WPA 26997 of 2025

Smt. Malina Bhakta
Vs.
The Howrah Municipal Corporation and others

Mr. Tanmoy Mukherjee
Mr. Souvik Das
Mr. Rudranil Das
...for the petitioner.

Mr. Suman Banerjee
...for the respondent nos.6 & 7.

1. Heard learned counsel for the parties.

2. It appears that although the learned counsel for the Howrah Municipal Corporation appeared in the matter on September 11, 2026. Thereafter, on the last occasion, i.e., on November 12,2026, learned counsel for the Howrah Municipal Corporation was not present.

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the learned counsel for the Howrah Municipal Corporation has refused to accept the notice.

4. The matter relates to allegation with regard to unauthorized construction.

5. The petitioner has made representation to the Authorities on Howrah Municipal Corporation on September 12, 2025 and the same has not been considered.

6. The learned counsel for the private respondents is present and submits that the offending construction has already been demolished.

7. Be that as it may, the respondent no.2 being the Commissioner of Howrah Municipal Corporation shall consider the representation dated September 12, 2025 submitted by the petitioner within a period of four weeks from date. Upon hearing the petitioner, private respondents and considering the documents to be submitted before the respondent no.2, the respondent no.2 shall pass a reasoned order within a period of one week from the date of conclusion of hearing.

8. If the respondent no.2 finds that the demolition of the offending construction is not sufficient or partial in nature, the respondent no.2 shall be at liberty to take further steps in that regard forthwith.

9. With these directions, WPA 26997 of 2025 is disposed of.

10. There will be no order as to costs.

11. Urgent photostat copies of this order, if applied for, be given to the parties upon compliance of all requisite formalities.

(Sandip Kumar De, J.)