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WPA 22080 of 2026

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03.09.26
DL-29
Ct.-07
(S.R.)

Dilip Paul

v.

The Govt. of West Bengal & Ors.

Mr. Madhusudan Mandal

Mr. Bimal Sil ... for the petitioner.

Mr. Madhu Jana

Mr. Rahul Agarwala ... for the State.

Mr. Sujit Sankar Koley

... for the WBSEDCL.

1. The petitioner complains of inaction on the part of the respondent WBSEDCL authorities in considering the petitioner's representation dated February 26, 2026 (Annexure P-4 at page 21 of the writ petition) for shifting the electric line through which electricity is being supplied to the private respondents. It is the petitioner's contention that the said electric line is passing through the petitioner's property.
2. Mr. Koley, learned advocate appearing for the WBSEDCL authorities submits that the electricity line was drawn some time in the year 2002 without any objection being raised by the owner. It is submitted that the petitioner has allegedly acquired ownership of the property only in the year 2010 and has thereafter started raising objection.
3. Heard learned advocates appearing for the

respective parties and considered the material on record.

4. Since a representation has already been made before the WBSEDCL authorities requesting for shifting of the electric line, the respondent no. 4 should bestow attention to such representation and consider the feasibility of shifting of the electric line.
5. The said respondent shall conduct an inspection and find out if there is an alternative way of supplying electricity to the private respondents without disturbing the petitioner's property. Such inspection shall be conducted upon advance notice to the petitioner as well as the private respondents.
6. If an alternative way is found out and the same is technically feasible, the WBSEDCL authorities should inform the petitioner about the same as also about the requisite charges that the petitioner might have to bear for the purpose of such shifting.
7. The entire exercise of consideration of the petitioner's representation and disposal thereof upon inspection as aforesaid should be completed by the respondent no.4 within a period of eight weeks from date.
8. Prior to the disposing of the representation and passing final order, the respondent no.4 shall also hear the petitioner and the private respondents.
9. Needless to mention that the respondent no.4 shall

pass a reasoned order, in accordance with law, within the aforesaid period and communicate the same to the parties within a week from passing thereof.

10. The work of shifting of the electric line would depend upon the ultimate decision taken by the WBSEDCL authorities. In case, shifting is found to be feasible and the petitioner is communicated about the charges, shifting would be done only if the petitioner pays the charges.
11. With the above observations, WPA 22080 of 2026 stands disposed of. There shall be no order as to costs.
12. Urgent certified photocopy of this order, if applied for, be supplied as expeditiously as possible.

(Om Narayan Rai, J.)