ORDER SHEET WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

Present-

The Hon'ble Justice Ranjit Kumar Bag & The Hon'ble Dr. Subesh Kumar Das

Case No - OA 205 OF 2016

Rupa Kumar $\underline{v_s}$ The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Serial No. and	Order of the Tribunal with signature	Office action with date
Date of order.	2	and dated signature of parties when necessary
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	For the Applicant : Mr. K. Ghosal	
12	Learned Advocate.	
05.09.2018	For the Respondents : None.	
	For the AG (A&E),WB : Mr. B. Mitra, Departmental Representative.	
	The applicant has prayed for direction upon the	
	respondents to grant family pension in favour of the applicant.	
	One Ashutosh Kumar, died on November 14, 2007 while	
	he was working as Road Majdoor in the establishment of the	
	respondent no. 3. The applicant Rupa Kumar claims to be the	
	wife of the deceased Ashutosh Kumar. The contention of the	
	applicant is that she has received the amount of GPF of her	
	husband along with her son and daughter on the basis of	
	Succession Certificate issued by the competent Court of law.	
	The further contention of the applicant is that family pension has	
	already been granted in favour of the son of the applicant by	
	depriving the applicant of her legitimate claim of family pension.	
	Learned Counsel representing the applicant contends	
	that the name of the first wife of the deceased employee is still	
	on record and as such family pension was granted in favour of	
	the son of the applicant, though the first wife died long back.	
	Nothing is on record to indicate why family pension was not	
	granted in favour of the applicant in spite of the claim of the	

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applicant that she was married to the deceased employee after death of the first wife of the said deceased employee.

None appears on behalf of the state respondents on call. We have heard Mr. Mitra, the Departmental Representative of respondent AG (A&E), West Bengal.

Under the above circumstances, we direct the respondent no. 3, the Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, Purulia Division to consider the entitlement of the applicant to get family pension after giving the applicant an opportunity of hearing within a period of 16 (sixteen) weeks from the date of communication of the order and to take necessary follow up action, if any, within a period of 4 (four) weeks thereafter.

With the above direction, the original application is disposed of.

The applicant is directed to serve copy of this order along with copy of the original application and its annexures on the respondent no. 3 by Speed Post within a period of 2 (two) weeks from this date, in default, this order stands cancelled.

Let an urgent plain copy of this order be supplied to the applicant.

(S.K. DAS)
MEMBER(A)

(R. K. BAG) MEMBER (J)

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