ORDER SHEET

WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata - 700 091.

Present-

THE HON'BLE SAYEED AHMED BABA, OFFICIATING CHAIRPERSON AND ADMINISTRATIVE MEMBER

Case No. – MA-76 of 2024 (OA - 373 of 2024)

Bamapada Mukherjee & Ors. - Vs - The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Serial No. and Date of order

For the Applicant : Mr. G.P. Banerjee,

Mr. W. Roy,

01 18.11.2024. Learned Advocate.

For the State Respondents : Mr. G. Halder,

Learned Advocate.

For the P.S.C., W.B. : Mr. S. Bhattacharjee,

Learned Advocate.

For the Respondent No. 4. Mr. M.N. Roy,

Learned Advocate.

The matter is taken up by the Single Bench pursuant to the order contained in the Notification No. 638-WBAT/2J-15/2016 (Pt.-II) dated 23rd November, 2022 issued in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 5 (6) of the Administrative Tribunals Act, 1985.

The prayer in this application is for condonation of delay of more than 2300 days in filing the original application OA-373 of 2024. The OA-373 of 2024 was filed with a prayer related to vacant posts of Fire Engine Operator-cum-Drivers under the Department of Fire & The, then W.B.S.S.C. had published Emergency Services. advertisement for recruitment of 185 Fire Engine Operator-cum-Drivers. During the process of recruitment of these posts, the responsibility for completing the exercise was taken over by W.B. P.S.C. on 01.09.2017. Thereafter, after completion of the recruitment process, the W.B.P.S.C. published the list of 157 successful candidates on 25.04.2018. Submission of the applicant's side is that though a total number of 185 such posts were advertised for filling up the vacant posts of Fire Engine Operators-cum-Drivers, but the W.B.P.S.C. recommended only a list of 157 successful candidates, thus, leaving 28 posts unfilled under different social categories.

The Tribunal is not convinced of the grounds stated in this

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application giving reasons why a delay of more than 6 (six) years occurred in filing the original application, OA-373 of 2024 assailing the recruitment process which was completed with the publication of the list of successful candidates in the year 2018.

Therefore, not finding any merit in the prayers, this application is disposed of without passing any orders.

(SAYEED AHMED BABA)
OFFICIATING CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBER (A)

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