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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. - OA 18 OF 2025 MD. ALBERT MOLLICK - VERSUS - THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL & ORS.

Serial No. and

For the Applicant

Ms. Gargi Roy,

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Date of order

Learned Advocate

For the State Respondents : Mr. Gautam Pathak Banerjee,

Learned Advocate

19.06.2025

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 matter relates to recruitment to the post of Homeopathic Medical Officer under West Bengal Homoeopathic Health Service conducted by West Bengal Health Recruitment Board. The prayer in this application is for a direction to the respondent authorities to consider the applicant's House Staffship Certificate physically submitted by the applicant as a valid certificate in terms of advertisement No.5 / 2024 dated 29.02.2024.

The applicant had applied for the post of Homeopathic Medical Officer in terms of advertisement No.5 / 2024 dated 29.02.2024, conducted by West Bengal Health Recruitment Board. His application was rejected on the ground that Attempt / Chance Certificate was not uploaded. By way of filing O.A. 596 of 2024, the applicant challenged the rejection order before the Tribunal. The Tribunal in its order dated 10.12.2024, directed the respondent, the West Bengal Health Recruitment Board to allow the applicant to appear for the interview. In the meantime, on 18.12.2024, the Board issued a notice informing that a final chance would be given permitting all rejected candidates to upload their documents through online mode between 18.12.2024 to 02.01.2025. After reopening of the link, the status of the applicant's online application was showing approved, but the House Staffship Certificate was showing not uploaded. Submission is, pursuant to the order of the Tribunal, the applicant was an approved candidate and the officials at the West Bengal Health Recruitment Board had assured the applicant that his

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case would be considered and the physical submission of the House Staffship Certificate would be treated as valid submission. However, on 10.01.2025, when the applicant again went to the office of the Board, two officers advised him that the only permissible mode of submission of documents was online and physical submission of the said certificate cannot be considered. Since the applicant is now aged about 43 years and this was his last and final opportunity, he approached this Tribunal.

From the above narratives, it is abundantly clear that the certificate was not uploaded by the applicant in terms of the advertisement. A line in his representation also indicates that it could not be uploaded. The applicant was called for interview as per direction of the Tribunal. The Tribunal is satisfied with the decision taken by the respondent authority that failure to upload the House Staffship Certificate does not entitle him 5 marks. Thus the Tribunal does not find the prayers in this application having any merit and dispose of the same without passing any orders.

SCN.

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