ORDER SHEET

WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata - 700 091.

Present-

The Hon'ble Mrs. Urmita Datta (Sen), Officiating Chairperson and Member (J).

Case No. OA – 277 of 2018

Kanailal Mondal & Others - VERSUS - THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL & ORS.

Serial No.

For the Applicants

: Mrs. S. Agarwal,

and

Advocate

Date of order 19

08.09.2022 For the State

: Mr. S. Bhattacharjee,

Respondents

Advocate

For Pr. A.G. (A & E),

West Bengal

: Mr. B. Mitra,

Departmental Representative

The matter is taken up by the Single Bench pursuant to the order contained in the Notification No. 536 – WBAT / 2J-15/2016 dated 26th August, 2022 issued in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 5(6) of the Administrative Tribunals Act, 1985.

The instant case has been filed basically praying for an extension of benefit of the orders dated 05.06.2017 and 28.07.2022, whereby certain employees were granted pensionery benefit as per the order of this Hon'ble Tribunal. As per the applicants, they are similarly circumstanced to the petitioners of the aforesaid order.

The counsel for the respondent has submitted that the application is premature since the applicants did not approach the authority by making any representation before them. During the course of the hearing, the counsel for the applicants has submitted that it would suffice their purpose, if the concerned authority would be directed to treat this OA as their representation and take decision within the stipulated period of time. The counsel for the respondents has no objection for such consideration.

In view of the above, the respondent no. 2 i.e. Secretary, Food & Supplies Department, Govt. of W.B. is directed to treat this OA as representation of the applicants and take decision with regard to the entitlement of the applicants as

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prayed for after verifying their entitlement in the light of judgement dated 05.06.2017 and 28.07.2022 and to communicate his decision by way of a reasoned and speaking order within a period of 12 (twelve) weeks from the date of receipt of the order. However, I have made it clear that I have not observed anything with regard to the merit of the case.

The Original Application is, thus, disposed of.

URMITA DATTA (SEN)
Officiating Chairperson and Member (J)

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