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WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata - 700 091.

Present-

The Hon'ble Justice Soumitra Pal, Chairman.

Case No. – OA 109 of 2021 Rana Majumdar & Another - VERSUS - THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL & ORS.

Serial No. and Date of order

For the Applicants : Mr. P.P. Mukhopadhyay,

Mrs. P. (Paul) Roy,

Advocates.

<u>02</u> 15.03.2021

For the State Respondent : Mr. G.P. Banerjee,

Advocate.

For the Principal

: Mr. B. Mitra,

Accountant General (A &

Departmental Representative.

E), West Bengal

The matter is taken up by the single Bench pursuant to the Notification No.949-WBAT/2J-15/2016 dated 24th December, 2020 issued in exercise of the powers conferred under Sub-Section (6) of Section 5 of the Administrative Tribunals Act, 1985.

Affidavit of service filed be kept on record.

Since despite service of notice, none appears on behalf of the State respondents, Mr. G.P. Banerjee, learned advocate, who normally appears on behalf of the State respondents, is requested to appear in this matter. Let a copy of the application be served on him, which is served and accepted. The Legal Remembrancer, West Bengal is directed to regularise the appointment of Mr. Banerjee.

In this application, Rana Majumdar and Raja Majumdar, the applicants, have prayed for several reliefs, the relevant portion of which is as under:

"...... (a) For a direction upon the respondent authorities particularly upon the respondent No. 3, 4 and 5 to disburse the amount of GPF, PPF & Pension and all other Death-cum-Retirement Benefits to the applicants with effect from August 28, 2018 to till date with interest @ 18% p.a. till realization."

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It is submitted by Mr. P.P. Mukhopadhyay, learned advocate for the applicants that Gouri Majumdar, a Female Warder and mother of the applicants last posted at Purulia Central Correctional Home, had expired-in-harness on 28th August, 2018 and though the representation dated 1st September, 2020, being annexure K to the application, praying for GPF, PPF and death benefits, has been served on the respondents, it has not been considered. Aggrieved this application has been filed.

Mr. G.P. Roy, learned advocate for the State respondents submits that if directed, the State respondents will consider the said representation in accordance with law.

Heard Mr. B. Mitra, the departmental representative for the respondent no. 2(vi)

Having heard the learned advocates for the parties and as prayed for on behalf of the applicant, the Superintendent, Purulia District Correctional Home, the respondent no. 2(iv) is directed to dispose of the representation dated 1st September, 2020 by passing a reasoned order to be communicated to the parties within 15 weeks from the date of presentation of a copy of this order downloaded from the internet / website, after verifying the records and after making proper enquiry. I make it clear that I have not gone into the merits of the matter and all the points are left open to be dealt with by the respondent no. 2(iv).

(SOUMITRA PAL) CHAIRMAN

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