## ORDER SHEET

## WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700 091.

Present-

The Hon'ble Sayeed Ahmed Baba, Officiating Chairperson & Member (A)

Case No. –OA 113 of 2024

Uttam Kumar Mondal. -- VERSUS – The State of West Bengal & Others

Serial No. and Date of order

For the Applicant : Mr. S. Ghosh,

Mrs. S. Das, Ld. Advocates.

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Ld. Advocate.

For the Principal Accountant

For the State Respondents

: Mr. B. Mitra,

: Mr. S. N. Ray,

General (A&E), West Bengal.

Departmental Representative.

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 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2022 issued in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 5(6) of the Administrative Tribunals Act, 1985.

The applicant has prayed for a direction to the respondent authorities to grant him his pension with arrears and other retiral benefits from the day he attained the age of superannuation on 31.12.2015.

From the submissions and the records it appears that due to medical reasons, the applicant was not able to attend his office since 13.12.2011. Though he had furnished a prayer for voluntary retirement in the year 2011, but no decision was taken by the respondent authorities in this regard. Since the absent period from 2011 to 2015 has not been regularised, therefore, it came as an impediment for processing a proposal for his pension before the Principal Accountant General (A&E), West Bengal. Mr. Ray, learned counsel also informs that due to service book of the applicant not being traceable, a new reconstructed service book has to be done. Only after these tasks are completed, a proposal can be made for granting pension and other retiral benefits to the applicant.

Having heard the submissions and considering the facts and circumstances of the case, this application is disposed of by directing the respondent no. 3, the Director, Directorate of Drugs Control, Health &

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Family Welfare Department to initiate urgent steps to reconstruct the service book of the applicant as well regularise the absent period from 30.12.2011 to 31.12.2015 as per Rules. Both these tasks should be completed within the next four months from the date of communication of this order.

The application is disposed of.

SAYEED AHMED BABA Officiating Chairperson & Member (A)

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