

ORDER SHEET

WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700 091.

Present-

The Hon'ble Justice Soumitra Pal, Chairman

Case No. - OA 13 OF 2021

SMT. PUTUL GHOSH - VERSUS - THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL & ORS.

Serial No. and Date of order	For the Applicant	: Mr. P.S. Ghosh, Advocate
<u>04</u> 24.02.2021	For the Respondent	: Mrs. S. Agarwal, Advocate

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.

Let affidavit of service filed be kept on record.

In this application, Putul Ghosh, the applicant, has prayed for certain reliefs, the relevant portion of which is as under:

“a) Issue direction upon the respondents to forthwith consider the application of the applicant for the Compassionate Appointment under the Die-in-Harness category due to resultant death of her husband as General Duty Attendant (G.D.A.) in Gondhanpara, Block Primary Health Centre at Raninagar, P.O. Raninagar, District – Murshidabad.”

It appears that Prasad Ghosh, the husband of the applicant, who was a General Duty Attendant (G.D.A.) in Gondhanpara Block Primary Health Centre, Murshidabad expired on 21st March, 2014, leaving behind the applicant, that is, the wife of the deceased, a son and a daughter. It has been stated that as after expiry of the husband, the family is in financial distress and though an application for compassionate appointment in the prescribed format was submitted on 13th August, 2014, no steps have been taken. On a query it is submitted by Mr. P.S.

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Ghosh, learned advocate for the applicant that though enquiry has been made on 11th May, 2015, however, thereafter no steps have been taken. Aggrieved this application has been filed. Though a letter dated 22nd May, 2018, demanding justice on behalf of the applicant has been served on the respondents, it has gone unanswered.

Mrs. S. Agarwal, learned advocate for the State respondents submits that if order is passed, the respondents will take necessary steps in accordance with rules pursuant to the enquiry conducted.

Having heard the learned advocates for the parties and considering the facts and circumstances of the case, the application is disposed of by directing the Director of Health Service, Department of Health, Kolkata, the respondent no.2 to dispose of the prayer of the applicant for appointment on compassionate ground by passing a reasoned order regarding appointment of the applicant on compassionate ground to be communicated to the parties within fifteen weeks from the date of communication of this order downloaded from the internet / website after giving an opportunity of hearing and after verifying the records. I make it clear that I have not gone into the merits of the case and all points are left open to be dealt with by the respondent no.2.

SCN.

(SOUMITRA PAL)
CHAIRMAN