

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 186 of 2024

Smt. Manika Barai -- VERSUS – The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Serial No. and
Date of order

For the Applicant : None.

For the State Respondents : None.

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15.05.2025

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 applicant had retired as U.D.A. (R.W.P.) working under Block Development Officer, Jhargram on 30.09.2017. His PPO was issued on 01.08.2017 and the revised PPO was issued to him on 07.03.2022 incorporating the benefits of ROPA 2019. The contention of the applicant is that though he was entitled to receive such revised payment earlier, but the same was released to him after 28 months from the date of effect of ROPA 2019 and it was paid without interest for delayed payment of his revised pensionary benefits.

From the submissions of the learned counsels and the papers in this application, the Tribunal does not find that the applicant had applied for ROPA 2019. Neither a copy is enclosed nor mentioned in the application the fact of his furnishing such a prayer for ROPA. However, such proposal was considered and his revised pension was released to him on 07.03.2022. The Tribunal is not satisfied that there was any laches on part of the respondent authorities in releasing his revised PPO. The Tribunal is also aware that this was the period when Covid-19 pandemic was at its peak and there were restrictions in public service.

Finding no merit, this application is **disposed of** without passing any order.

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SAYEED AHMED BABA
Officiating Chairperson & Member (A)