## <u>ORDER SHEET</u> WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata - 700 091.

## Present-

## Mr. Sayeed Ahmed Baba, Officiating Chairperson and Hon'ble Member (A).

Case No. - OA 239 of 2021.

FULTUSHI CHOWDHURY- VERSUS-THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL & ORS.

Serial No. and Date of order

For the Applicant

: Mr. G. Mustafa, Learned Advocate. BUNAL

 $\frac{05}{02.01.2024}$ 

For the State respondents

: None.

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  $23^{rd}$  November, 2022 issued in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 5(6) of the Administrative Tribunals Act, 1985.

On consent of the learned counsel, the case is taken up for consideration sitting singly.

Despite service of notice, none has appeared even today on behalf of the respondent authorities.

This application has been filed praying for a direction to the respondent authorities to consider the application for appointment under compassionate ground in place of the applicant's father, Sadananda Chowdhury, who died in harness on 27.2.2011 as a Group D staff in the office of Block Development Officer, Domkol, Murshidabad. Submission of Mr. G. Mustafa, learned counsel for the applicant is that soon after the demise of her father, the applicant, as daughter had submitted an application for compassionate employment before the respondent authorities. In this application, one such application dated 10.2.2012 is seen, which is addressed to the District Magistrate, Murshidabad and has been received by the office of the Block Development Officer, Domkol, Murshidabad on 28.2.2012. The proforma application dated 09.02.2012 was also furnished.

Submission is that despite passing of such long time, the respondent authorities have neither considered her application nor offered her any employment

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under compassionate ground.

On 05.10.2020, the applicant furnished one reminder to the District Magistrate, Murshidabad which has not been responded till date. Since it is clear that despite submission of an application within time for compassionate employment and filed by subsequent reminders, the office of the respondent authority has not responded till date.

In view of considering the above situation, the Tribunal directs the respondent no. 2 – the District Magistrate, Murshidabad to treat the papers in this application as the applicant's application for compassionate employment and after consideration as per law pass a reasoned order within twelve weeks from the date of communication of this order. Let the reasoned order so passed by the respondent no. 2 – District Magistrate, Murshidabad be communicated to the applicant within one week thereof. Accordingly, this application is disposed of.

(SAYEED AHMED BABA) Officiating Chairperson and Member (A).

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