

ORDER SHEET

WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700 091.

Present-

THE HON'BLE SAYEED AHMED BABA, OFFICIATING CHAIRPERSON AND ADMINISTRATIVE MEMBER

Case No. – OA - 285 of 2024

Angura Begum @ Kazi Angura Bibi - Vs - The State of West Bengal & Ors.

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Date of order

For the Applicant : Mr. S. Bhattacharjee,
Learned Advocate.

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27.11.2024.

For the State Respondents : Mr. M.N. Roy,
Learned Advocate.

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 has prayed for a direction to the respondent authority to sanction and disburse the family pension arising out of her position as the legally married wife of the deceased employee, Kazi Aftab Rahaman. The deceased employee, Kazi Aftab Rahaman had served as a police constable under West Bengal Police and superannuated on 31.01.2006. It is submitted that after his retirement, the employee continued to receive his pension till his death on 09.01.2022. After the death of her husband, this applicant requested the respondent authorities to sanction her family pension by filing a representation on 28.04.2022, before the respondent authorities. The Principal Accountant General, being one of the addressees of such representation replied to the applicant requesting re-submission of her representation along with documents through the Pension Sanctioning Authority. Mr. Bhattacharjee, learned counsel submits that as per police report dated 22.11.2022, the applicant; Angura Begum is the first wife of Kazi Aftab Rahaman. As pointed out by Mr. Bhattacharjee, the report also mentions at para 2, one Abeda Begum (Bibi), the former second wife of the deceased Kazi Aftab Rahaman is now wife of Ali Hassan Mollah. Submission of Mr. Bhattacharjee is that the above fact about

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the Abeda Begum (Bibi) as recorded by the police authorities, the present applicant Angura Begum is the only wife and the sole claimant of the family pension arising out of the death of her husband, Kazi Aftab Rahaman.

Mr. Roy, learned counsel confirms the details as recorded above but points out that such representation should have been addressed to the Superintendent of Police, Baruipur Police District, South 24 Pgs.

Having heard the submissions presented by Mr. Bhattacharjee and Mr. Roy liberty is given to the applicant to file a fresh representation before the Respondent No. 5, Superintendent of Police, Baruipur Police District, South 24 Pgs. ventilating her grievances regarding sanction of family pension. The respondent no. 5 is directed to act upon the representation, if filed by the applicant, in accordance with the rules. After such verification, if it appears to be correct that her claim has merit, suitable action be taken within three months from the date of submission of the representation. The respondent no. 5 is also advised to ask the applicant for her personal appearance along with relevant documents, if so required.

The application is disposed of.

(SAYEED AHMED BABA)
OFFICIATING CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBER (A)

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