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- 296 of 2023

Adhir Sarma & Ors. **VERSUS** – The State of West Bengal & Ors..

Serial No. and Date of order

For the Applicant : Mr. Arka Maity,

Learned Advocate.

 $\frac{01}{13.06.2023}$

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 23rd 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 for the contesting party, the case is taken up sitting singly.

Affidavit of service filed be kept with the record.

The prayer in this application is for a direction to the respondent authorities to increase age of retirement of the applicants who are serving as Workshop Instructor in various Government Polytechnics from 60 to 65 years.

Heard Mr. Maity, learned counsel for the applicants. The matter is admitted.

Mr. Maity prays for directing the respondents not to dispense with the services of those employees retiring at the age of 60 years before any order of the Tribunal is passed.

Since this matter relates to policy decision of the State Govt. and since this matter involves various points of law, the Tribunal is of the opinion that this application should be placed before a Bench comprising two Members (Judicial & Administrative) for a judicious hearing and disposal according to law. Mr. Maity also supports this view point.

Let this application, therefore, be placed before a Bench

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comprising two Members (Judicial & Administrative) on **06.12.2023** under the heading Hearing. In the meantime let the state authorities file their reply against the application before this Tribunal by the next date. Rejoinder from the applicants side, if any, in the meantime.

Let the Respondent No. 1, Principal Secretary, Technical Education & Training and Skill Development Deptt. file reply in response to the prayer of the applicants before this Tribunal by the next date

Let the copy of this order be served by the applicants upon all the respondents.

SAYEED AHMED BABA OFFICIATING CHAIRPERSON & MEMBER(A)

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