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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 328 OF 2023

PRADIP KUMAR SANYAL - VERSUS - THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL & ORS.

Serial No. For the Applicant : Mr. S.N. Ray, and Learned Advocate

Date of

order For the State Respondents : Mr. Sankha Ghosh,

Learned Advocate

13.08.2025

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 prayer in this application is for setting aside the memo No.2461 dated 06.12.2021 issued by the Special Secretary, Irrigation and Waterways Department relating to pay refixation of the applicant.

The applicant, joined in the capacity of Mohuorir on 12.04.1973, last posted under the Superintending Engineer, Damodar Irrigation Circle, Burdwan, superannuated as Upper Division Clerk under Irrigation & Waterways Department, contended that one Swapan Kumar Dutta and one Samar Kumar Chatterjee junior to him in the gradation list were receiving better pay and he has been receiving lesser amount in spite of being senior. He previously moved before the Tribunal by filing O.A. 645 of 2013, and O.A. 639 of 2016. In terms of the Tribunal's order dated 17.09.2019 in O.A. 639 of 2016, the respondent authority considered his prayer for stepping up of pay and protected pay of his Junior Sri Chayan Kumar Dutta who earlier got pay protection with reference to his junior. Again stepping up of pay of the applicant with effect from 01.04.2002 was turned down.

Being aggrieved by the decision of the respondent authority recorded in the impugned order, the applicant wishes to furnish a detailed representation ventilating his grievance before the respondent authority.

Mr. Ghosh, learned counsel does not oppose furnishing such representation.

In view of the above, this application is disposed of by giving liberty to the applicant to furnish a detailed representation ventilating his grievance before the respondent No.1, the Additional Chief Secretary, Irrigation and Waterways Department within a period of 4 weeks from today positively. The respondent No.1 is directed to consider the prayer of the applicant and dispose of the same, if furnished within time, by

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passing a reasoned and speaking order in accordance with Rules at the earliest, preferably within three months from the date of filing a fresh representation along with copy of this order. The decision, so taken after such consideration, be communicated to the applicant within two weeks thereof.

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

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