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## WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700 091.

## **Present-**

The Hon'ble Mrs. Urmita Datta (Sen), Member (J), The Hon'ble Sayeed Ahmed Baba, Member (A)

Case No. OA – 331 of 2021

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Serial No. and

For the Applicants

: Mr. G.P. Banerjee,

Advocate

Date of order

 $\frac{3}{23.11.2021}$ 

For the State Respondents

: Mr. G. Halder, Advocate

For the Respondent

No. 3

: Mr. M.N. Roy, Advocate

Affidavit of service has been filed. Vokalatnama has also been filed.

Mr. M.N. Roy appears on behalf of the respondent no. 3, Managing Director of West Bengal Forest Development Corporation, has submitted that since WBFDC is an undertaking of Government of West Bengal, this Tribunal has no jurisdiction over the same. Therefore, their name may be expunged from the array of the respondents. In view of the above, the applicant is directed to delete name of the respondent no. 3 from the array of respondents.

The instant application has been filed basically challenging the appointment of new incumbents for the post of casual workers as well as asking for extension of benefit of 2019 Circular in this regard. During the course of the hearing, the counsel for the applicant has fairly submitted that though they have already filed a representation before the Principal Chief Conservation of Forests on 16.03.021, however, it would suffice their purpose if the respondent no. 2, Principal Chief Conservation of Forests be directed to consider the case of the applicants treating this O.A. as their representation and extend the benefit as per Rules. The counsel for the respondent has no objection for consideration subject to the fulfilment of criteria. In view of the above, the respondent no. 2 i.e. Principal Chief Conservation of Forests is directed to consider the case of the applicants treating this O.A. as their representation and to take decision as per

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relevant Circular and Rules and communicate the same by way of a reasoned and speaking order within a period of eight weeks from the date receipt of the order after granting personal hearing to one of the representative of the applicants. However, we make it clear that we have not observed anything on the merit of this case. Accordingly, the O.A. is disposed of no order as to cost.

Since for circumstances beyond control, the Registry is unable to furnish plain copies of this order to the learned advocates for the parties, the Registry is directed to upload this order on the website of the Tribunal forthwith and parties are directed to act on the copies of the order downloaded from the website.

SAYEED AHMED BABA MEMBER(A) URMITA DATTA (SEN) MEMBER (J)

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