# <u>ORDER SHEET</u> 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 366 OF 2024 RATNA ROY - VERSUS - THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL & ORS.

Serial No. and Date of	For the Applicant	:	Mrs. Sabita Khutia (Bhunya), Learned Advocate
order	For the State Respondents	:	Mr. Asok Kumar Das Sinha, Learned Advocate
13.03.2025	For the Principal Accountant General (A&E), West Bengal	:	Mr. Biswanath Mitra, Departmental Representative

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<sup>rd</sup> November, 2022 issued in exercise of the powers conferred under section 5(6) of the Administrative Tribunals Act, 1985.

Let affidavit of service filed be kept on record.

Mrs. Sabita Khutia (Bhunya), learned counsel for the applicant has been advised to file a better copy of the PPO appearing at page 37.

The prayer in this application is for a direction to the respondent authorities to grant and disburse family pension in favour of the applicant with effect from 23.08.2016 being the widow daughter of the deceased employee.

The deceased ex-employee, Bakul Chandra Sen Roy, appointed as an Additional Health Assistant, superannuated on 31.03.1989 at the age of 58 years. Deepak Kumar Roy, the husband of the applicant died on 24.07.1989. The applicant, Ratna Roy, daughter of ex-employee, applied on 16.04.2024 before the respondent authorities for grant and disbursement of family pension in her favour with effect from 23.08.2016. Tripti Rani Sen Roy, the mother of the applicant died on 19.06.2016. The ex-employee had been receiving the monthly pension regularly till his death on 22.08.2016. It is submitted that since the mother predeceased, being the widowed daughter of exemployee, she is eligible to get the family pension. The other legal heirs issued no objection certificate on 17.01.2022 in favour of the widow daughter.

Mr. Asok Kumar Das Sinha, learned counsel submits that if a direction is issued the same shall be considered by the respondent authorities as per Rules.

In view of the above, the Tribunal, being satisfied with the claim of the applicant as

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the widowed daughter, directs the respondent No.2.(iv), the Block Medical Officer of Health, Tapan Primary Health Centre, Dakshin Dinajpur to examine the relevant documents and give her a personal hearing. If it is found that she is eligible, then a proposal for family pension in favour of the applicant be submitted as per Rules within a reasonable period of time.

The application is disposed of.

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

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