

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 383 OF 2023

SIBAPRAKAS MUKHERJEE - Vs - THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL & OTHERS

Serial No. and
Date of order

05
27.11.2024

For the Applicant : Mr.Manujendra Narayan Roy
Mr.Gourav Haldar
Advocates

For the State Respondent : 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, the case is taken up for consideration sitting singly.

Despite affidavit of service and communication of the previous orders of the Tribunal, none has been appearing on behalf of the State respondent No.1, the Secretary, Department of Co-operation except Mr.A.K.Das Sinha, learned counsel who appeared only once during the hearing on 05.10.2023.

The prayer and the main issue involved in this applicant can be understood from the representation filed by the applicant before the Secretary of the Department on 04.04.2023. In short, he prayed for pro-rata pension for the service he rendered as Inspector of Co-operative Societies from 01.06.1979 till 13.01.1999 which also includes his service on deputation with WBSCARD Bank Ltd. from 10.02.1986 to 13.01.1999. The applicant retired from his service with the Bank in the month of February, 2010. Appearing on behalf of the applicant Mr.M.N.Roy, learned counsel submits that the applicant is entitled to get his pre-rata pension in terms of ROPA 1998.

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Having heard the submissions and considering the facts and circumstances of this case, the Respondent No.1, the Secretary now re-designated as the Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Co-operation is directed to consider the representation filed by the applicant on 04.04.2023 and accord him an opportunity to be heard in person. The same respondent after considering the facts and hearing the applicant in person may dispose of this matter as per rules at the earliest, preferably within three months from the date of communication of this order and communicate the final decision taken to the applicant within two weeks thereof. The application is disposed of.

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

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