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The Hon'ble Justice Soumitra Pal, Chairman The Hon'ble Sayeed Ahmed Baba, Administrative Member Case No. – OA 395 OF 2020

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Date of order $\frac{07}{22.12.2021}$	For the Applicant	: Mr.Ambu Bindu Chakraborty Advocate
	For the State respondents	: Mr.Goutam Pathak Banerjee Advocate

At the very outset, Mr.A.B.Chakraborty, learned advocate for the applicant submits that though the matter has appeared under the heading "To be Mentioned", it may be taken up for hearing and order may be passed in terms of prayer (c) to which Mr.G.P.Banerjee, learned advocate for the State respondents does not oppose.

As prayed for on behalf of the applicant, the matter is taken up for hearing.

In the application Sanjib Sarkar, the applicant, a Constable under West Bengal Police, at present posted in the office of the Commandant, SAP, 13th Battalion, Barjora in the district of Bankura, has prayed for several reliefs, the relevant portion of which is as under:-

> "(a) An order do issue directing the respondent concerned to give effect of service benefit as Constable under West Bengal Police since the date of first appointment i.e. 26th May 2004 instead of 26th June 2015 to the applicant;

> (b) Direction upon the respondent police authorities to take all necessary steps to give service benefit including promotional and other benefit to the applicant properly from the date of first appointment from 26th May 2004 by

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considering the representations being Annexure-F of the instant Original application.

(c) To consider the representation dated 26.09.2019 and 25.11.2019 of the applicant for the interest of proper justice;"

The case of the applicant is that on 26th May, 2004, after being recruited as Constable, he was undergoing training. During training, a criminal case was filed against him. The applicant had to face trial before A.C.J.M., Diamond Harbour and after contested hearing, the learned Court on 30th April, 2011 acquitted him. The grievance of the applicant is though acquitted, the authorities did not take any step for continuation of his appointment as Constable. Aggrieved, the applicant filed an application being OA-1125 of 2011 which by judgement and order dated 20th September, 2012 was dismissed. Aggrieved, the applicant filed a writ petition being WPST-394 of 2012 which was allowed by judgement and order dated 29th November, 2013. The State respondents filed a Special leave petition before the Supreme Court which was dismissed on 13th October, 2014. The grievance of the applicant is though on 26th March, 2019 and 24th November, 2019 representations were made for the grant of the service benefits including promotional and other benefits from the first date of appointment that is 26th May, 2004 those have not been considered. Prayer is for consideration of the said representations by the respondents.

Mr.Banerjee, submits, if directed, the respondent authorities shall consider the matter in accordance with law.

Having heard the learned advocates for the parties and considering the facts and circumstances of the case, the application is disposed of by directing

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the Commandant, SAP, 13th Battalion, (Reserve Office), Barjora, Bankura, Government of West Bengal, the respondent no.4 to dispose of the said representations dated 26th March, 2019 and 24th November, 2019 by passing a reasoned order to be communicated to the applicant within fifteen weeks from the date of presentation of a copy of this order downloaded from the website of the Tribunal after giving an opportunity of hearing and after verifying the records.

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(SAYEED AHMED BABA) MEMBER(A)

(SOUMITRA PAL) CHAIRMAN

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