ORDER SHEET WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700 091.

Present-

The Hon'ble Mrs. Urmita Datta (Sen), Member (J),

Case No. OA – 450 of 2022 Subrata Roy - VERSUS - THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL & ORS. For the Applicant : Mr. M.N. Roy,

Serial No. and Date of order $\frac{2}{29.07.2022}$

Advocate

For the State Respondents : Mr. G.P. Banerjee, Mr. S. Bhattacharjee, Advocates

The matter is taken up by the Single Bench pursuant to the order contained in the Notification No. 354 - WBAT / 2J-15/2016 dated 18^{th} May, 2022 issued in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 6(5) of the Administrative Tribunals Act, 1985.

The instant application has been filed basically praying for stay of process of disciplinary proceedings. As per the applicant, he was served with a charge sheet on 07.04.2015 on allegation of sexual harassment and simultaneously one criminal case was also initiated against him, and thereafter, criminal proceeding was going on. However, 2016 onwards no steps was taken in the departmental proceedings and in the mean time vide order dated 28.08.2021, his suspension was revoked on the ground that on self-same charge one criminal case is pending. However, suddenly he was served with an order dated 1st June, 2022, whereby he was asked to appear in the departmental proceeding on 1st August, 2022. In that background, the applicant made a representation before the authority praying for not to proceed with the departmental proceeding till the conclusion of the criminal case on 30.06.2022. However, till date, no decision was communicated to him. The counsel for the respondent has submitted that they are ready to dispose of the representation made by the applicant.

Let the matter be adjourned to **09.09.2022**.

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The respondents are at liberty to dispose of the representation dated 30.06.2022. In the interim, the respondents are directed not to proceed with the departmental proceedings till the next date.

URMITA DATTA (SEN) MEMBER (J)

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