

WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700 091.

Present-

The Hon'ble SAYEED AHMED BABA, Member (A)

Case No. – OA-499 of 2021

Jharna Das VERSUS – The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Serial No. and Date of order	For the Applicant	:	Mr. D. Karan Ms. P. Paul, Learned Advocate.
<u>04</u> 11.07.2022	For the State Respondent	:	Mr. S.N. Roy, Mr. G.P. Banerjee, Learned Advocates.
	For the Pr. A.G.W.B.		Mr. B. Mitra.

In this application, the applicant Jharna Das has prayed for directing the respondents to grant and disburse the family pension along with arrears. It appears from the record that the applicant's father was an employee of the Hooghly District Police and retired on 19.12.1972 and expired on 19.12.1996. After his death, family pension was sanctioned in favour of her mother Lakshmi Moni Das who also died later. The applicant submitted representation to sanction and disburse the family pension as she is the unmarried daughter of the deceased employee.

In response, the respondent No. 2 informs the applicant that the G.O. -138-F dated 0303.2008, does not cover the family pension of the unmarried daughter of old French Pensioner and inform that Finance Department has been requested to confirm whether such family pension to the unmarried daughter of old French Pensioner can be issued or not. Since there has been no response, the applicant prays for suitable direction so that family pension can be sanctioned and disbursed to her.

It appears from the records that S.P. Hooghly had

submitted a proposal to the Principal A.G. (A & E), W.B. for issuance of family pension to the applicant attaching all relevant documents. The Office of the Principal A.G. informs the S.P. Hooghly that G.O. 138-F does not cover family pension of unmarried daughter of old French Pensioner. Therefore, the Finance Department has been requested to confirm whether any order in this respect has been issued or not.

The response from Finance Department is awaited and it appears that without Finance Department's response, further action in sanctioning and disbursal of family pension to the applicant cannot materialise.

Mr. Roy appearing on behalf of the respondents submits that if an accommodation is given, he will arrange for suitable instructions from the Finance Department.

Liberty is granted to the counsel for the applicant to add Addl. Chief Secretary, Govt. of West Bengal, Home & Hill Affairs Deptt as a party respondent.

Let the matter be listed for Admission Hearing on **29.09.2022.**

SAYEED AHMED BABA
MEMBER (A)