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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 544 OF 2023

RAJANI GHORAI - Vs - THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL & OTHERS.

Serial No. and Date of order

For the Applicant : Mr. A.Chakraborty

Advocate

05 24.12.2024

For the State Respondents : Mr.Soumendra Narayan Ray

Advocate

For the Principal Accountant : Mr.Biswanath Mitra

General (A&E) West Bengal (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 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 counsels and the learned Departmental representative for the contesting parties, the case is taken up for consideration sitting singly.

The prayer in this application is for a direction to the respondent authority to sanction family pension to the applicant along with all arrears. Mr.S.N.Ray, learned counsel has submitted that in all the official documents relating to the service of the deceased employee - Shuku Ghorai, the name of Kanta Ghorai is recorded, being the wife. Mr.Ray has also expressed that the respondent authorities gave an opportunity to the applicant, Rajani Ghorai, claiming to be the wife of the deceased employee, to come and present her relevant documents, but she did not. As per submission of A.Chakraborty, learned counsel for the applicant, all the relevant documents of Rajani Ghorai, the applicant, was earlier taken over by the private respondent, Kanta Ghorai.

From the submissions of the learned counsels, the Tribunal has come to this conclusion that though claiming to be the wife of the

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deceased employee, but the applicant does not possess any relevant documents to support such claim. Neither such documents have been presented before the respondent authority nor before the Tribunal. In fact, in this application except the death certificate of the deceased employee and the plain paper application, no other document has been enclosed.

With such observation, the Tribunal is constrained to conclude that the prayer of the applicant for family pension has no merit and it is disposed of without passing any orders.

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

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