## <u>ORDER SHEET</u> 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 568 OF 2023

**SOMESHWAR MAHATO** - VERSUS -THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL & ORS. Serial No. For the Applicant Mr. F. Bandyopadhyay, : and Ms. Nandini Sharma. Date of Advocates order For the State Respondents Mr. S.N. Ray, : Advocate

05.02.2024

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 23<sup>rd</sup> 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 for the parties, the case is taken up for consideration sitting singly.

The applicant has prayed for a direction to the respondent authorities to release his salary from the month of February, 2023 till date along with increments and other benefits. The prayer also includes a direction to the respondent authorities to grant him the benefit of continuous 19 years of service with increments. In this regard, the applicant had furnished a representation before the respondent authority on 06.06.2023.

Mr. F. Bandyopadhyay submits that it would suffice if the respondent authority is directed to consider his representation so filed on 06.06.2023 before the concerned State respondent.

Submission of Mr. S.N. Ray, learned counsel for the respondents is that if direction is given to consider his representation, the same will be considered as per Rules.

In view of the above submissions, the application is disposed of by directing the respondent No.5 the Superintending Engineer (A-I), Bankura (Agri Irrigation) Circle to consider the representation filed by the applicant as per Rules and dispose of the same within a period of three months from the date of communication of this order.

It is, however, made clear that I have not gone into the merits of the matter and all points are kept open to be dealt with by the respondent No. 3.

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