

ORDER SHEET

WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700 091.

Present-

The Hon'ble Sayeed Ahmed Baba, Officiating Chairperson & Member (A)

Case No. – OA 576 of 2024.

SHRI CHANCHAL BHOWMIK-- VERSUS – THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL & ORS.

Serial No. and
Date of order

For the Applicant

: Mr. S.N. Ray,
Mrs. S. Das,
Ld. Advocates.

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12.12.2024

For the State Respondents

: Ms. R. Sarkar,
Mr. S. Debray,
Mrs. A. Bhattacharya,
Departmental representatives,
L & LR Department.

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.

Affidavit of service filed today be kept on record.

By filing this application before this Tribunal, the applicant has prayed for setting aside the entire Disciplinary Proceedings initiated against him by an order dated 13.9.2023. The applicant has also prayed that such Disciplinary Proceedings against him be concluded expeditiously. Mr. Ray, learned counsel, who has appeared on behalf of the applicant is surprised that the Respondent authorities woke up late to take action against the applicant for an issue for which he was show caused in 2015. The proceeding which has been initiated on the verge of his retirement is therefore not only arbitrary but was with the objective of maliciousness and vindictiveness. The applicant has superannuated on 31.1.2024 and not receiving any regular pension.

Ms. Sarkar, appearing on behalf of the Department has submitted that the charges are very grave. However, the Disciplinary Proceedings are on the verge of conclusion.

Let the matter is admitted under the heading "Hearing" on 11.03.2025. Reply and rejoinder, if any, in the meantime.

SKG/S.M.

SAYEED AHMED BABA
Officiating Chairperson & Member (A)