ORDERSHEET

WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata-700 091.

Present-

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

CaseNo.-OA 597 of 2024

Chanda Mondal--VERSUS-The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Serial No.and Date of order For the Applicant : Md. Nure Zaman, Ld. Advocate.

For the State Respondents : None.

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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.

By filing this application, the applicant Chanda Mondal prays for a direction to the respondent authorities to consider her long pending application furnished before them for an employment under compassionate ground.

From the submission of Md. Nure Zaman, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the applicant and after examining the records it has become clear that soon after death of her father, she had furnished a plain paper application on 26.08.2005. Siddheswar Mondal was a field labourer of Rajnagar Sisal Plantation Farm, Birbhum who had died while in service on 25.03.2005.

The plain paper application submitted on 26.08.2005 was followed by submission of the prescribed pro-forma. Copies of both applications are available in this application, though the date mentioned in the pro-forma is not very clear. Moving forward, a copy of correspondence exchanged by the officials of the Department indicate clearly that such an application was furnished by the applicant and the matter was under consideration. The fact that such application was being processed can also be seen from a copy of the order issued by the Deputy Director of Agriculture (Admn.) which had formed the Enquiry Committee. Another correspondence being presented by the applicant's side is Memo 988 dated 26.02.2021 by which the Additional Director advised the Deputy Director to furnish the details along with relevant documents in respect of the applicant. Submission of Mr. Zaman is that despite submission of the application along with all documents and completion of the enquiry report, the respondent authorities are sitting tight and has neither accepted the prayer nor communicated their decision to the applicant. Submission is that a suitable direction may be given to the concerned respondent for expeditious disposal of the application.

Having heard the matter and examination of the documents in this application, this application is disposed of by directing the respondent no. 2 (ii), the Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Agriculture to have this matter examined and take a final decision in terms of rules governing the compassionate scheme within a period of three months from the date of communication of this order. Should the applicant's presence felt necessary and any document required, the applicant may be advised accordingly. Copy of the final order so passed be communicated to the applicant within two weeks thereafter.

Accordingly, this application is **disposed of.**

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Officiating Chairperson & Member (A)

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