

ORDER SHEET

**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 617 of 2024

Damber Singh Sunar - Vs - The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Serial No. and

Date of order

02  
04.03.2025

For the Applicant : Mrs. P. Dey (Dhabal)  
Learned Advocate.

For the State : Mrs. Sonali Mitra,  
Respondents Learned Advocate.

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.

The applicant has prayed for setting aside the impugned Memo No. 1530 dated 11<sup>th</sup> June, 2024 signed by Deputy Inspector General of Police (P & W). The matter relates to reimbursement of the cost of the OPD treatment. The Deputy Inspector General of Police (P & W) in his communication to the Commandant RAF, 2<sup>nd</sup> BN, Siliguri informed that the reimbursement of the treatment expenses incurred by the applicant could not be accepted on the ground that no prior approval for such treatment outside the State was obtained. The applicant appears to have done a treatment at Appolo Hospital, Chennai and claimed the reimbursement of such expenses under the West Bengal Health Scheme. Mrs. Mitra, learned counsel draws my attention to para 11 of the guidelines of West Bengal Health Scheme, 2008 which is as under :-

*“Take permission of West Bengal Health Scheme Authority before treatment in a speciality hospital*

*outside the State”.*

From the above observations it has become clear to the Tribunal that the applicant incurred expenses for a treatment at Appolo Hospital, Chennai without obtaining prior approval of the concerned authority. Mrs. Dhabal wishes to present a copy of the prior approval taken by the applicant from the competent authority on the next date.

Let the matter appear under the heading ‘**For Orders**’  
**on 29.04.2025.**

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