

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 62 OF 2023

SARASWATI NASKAR - VERSUS - THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL & ORS.

Serial No. For the Applicant : Mrs. Sonali Mitra,
and Advocate
Date of order For the State Respondents : Mr. M.N. Roy,
Advocate

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09.01.2024

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 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 for the parties, the case is taken up for consideration sitting singly.

The applicant has prayed for compassionate employment under Special Compassionate Appointment Scheme, 2020, since her husband, Mohan Chandra Naskar, died in harness on 06.05.2021 due to covid-19 corona disease when he was holding a post of Steno-Typist in Security Control Department under the Deputy Commissioner of Police. By presenting a copy of memo No.3011-PL/PA/55-111/2022 dated 13th December, 2023, Mr. M. N. Roy, learned counsel submits that as stated, though the applicant died with covid-19 infection, but being a Steno-Typist, he was not a 'Covid Warrior' (Front-line worker). Though the deceased was not a front-line worker during the Covid-19 period, however, the legal heirs may apply for employment for compassionate employment under the Notification No.251-Emp dated 03.12.2013 if they are otherwise eligible.

In view of the fact that the applicant's deceased husband was not a front-line worker during the Covid-19 period, the prayer in this application is not admissible for compassionate employment under the Special Compassionate Appointment Scheme, 2020. The applicant is at liberty to furnish a fresh application praying for employment on compassionate ground before the respondent authorities as per Notification No.251-Emp dated 03.12.2013, if so wished within three months from the date of this order. The application is disposed of.

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

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