### 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 666 OF 2023

TAPAN KUMAR MONDAL - Vs - THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL & OTHERS.

Serial No. and

Date of order

For the Applicant Mr. Kazi Sajjad Alam

Advocate

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Mr. Gourav Haldar For the State Respondents

Advocate

For the Private Respondents:

Mr.A.Manna

No. 19, 22, 23 & 24

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

The prayer in this application is for a direction to the respondent authorities to withdraw the impugned order dated 14.12.2022. The impugned order dated 14.12.2022 in the Memo. No. 132 was the final order passed by the Principal Secretary as the Disciplinary Authority against the charged officer, this applicant, imposing a penalty of reduction by five stages lower in the current pay band for a period of three years under Rule 8(iv) of West Bengal Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1971.

The matter is admitted. Since the matter involves interpretation of various laws, it would be proper, if this matter is heard by a Bench comprising two Members including one Judicial Member.

The learned counsels representing all the sides are also of the same view and agree to this suggestion.

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In view of the above observation and agreement by all the sides, let this matter be placed before a Bench comprising two Members (Judicial and Administrative) under the heading 'Hearing' on 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 2025. Reply, rejoinder, if any, in the meantime.

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

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