<u>ORDER SHEET</u> WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700 091.

<u>Present</u>-

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

Case No. – <u>OA 670 of 2023</u>

Dr. Radharani Dasgupta -- VERSUS -- The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Serial No. and For the Applicant : Ms. A.P. Banerjee, Ld. Advocate.

For the State respondent : Mr. G. Halder, Ld. Advocate.

 $\frac{01}{11.10.2023}$

Date of order

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

Affidavit of service filed be kept on record.

The applicant is a Medical Officer and presently assigned for duty at the MLA Hostel, KID Street, Kolkata. By an order of the respondent authority dated 08.09.2023, she has been transferred and posted as a Medical Officer (Radio Therapy), Kalimpong District Hospital.

Appearing on behalf of the applicant Ms. A.P. Banerjee, learned counsel submits that due to ailments of the applicant and her responsibility to look after her aged widowed mother, she is not able to leave the present place of posting. In this regard, a prayer has been furnished by the applicant before the Director of Health Services on 11.09.2023. Submission is that this transfer order may be set aside and her representation be considered.

Appearing on behalf of the respondent, Mr. Halder submits that there is an acute shortage of such specialists in the department and the post of Radio Therapy is lying vacant in the district of Kalimpong for quite some time.

Having heard the learned counsels, the matter is disposed of by directing the Respondent No. 3, the Senior Special Secretary to the Government of West Bengal, Department of Health & Family Welfare to consider the representation of the applicant as per Rules within a period of eight (8) weeks from the date of communication of this order.

Accordingly, the application is disposed of.

SAYEED AHMED BABA Officiating Chairperson & Member (A)

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