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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 837 OF 2023

RENUKA DANDAPAT - Vs - THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL & OTHERS.

Serial No. and

Date of order

For the Applicant : Mr.K.Mishra

Advocate

 $\frac{03}{10.06.2024}$

For the State respondents

Mr.Soumendra Narayan Ray

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.

On consent of the learned counsels for the contesting parties, the case is taken up for consideration sitting singly.

Renuka Dandapat, the applicant claiming to be the mother of the deceased employee, Chandan Dandapat has prayed for a direction to the respondent authorities to grant her share of all admissible benefits due to her after the demise of her son. A representation was submitted by the applicant before the Superintendent of Police, Purba Medinipur on 18.08.2021. It appears from the submissions of the learned counsels that the respondent authority had called her for hearing and examination of documents to establish her claim of being the mother of Chandan Dandapat. At the same time, one Dipali Samanta (Dandapat) has also claimed for such benefits by being the wife of the deceased employee. By the direction of this Tribunal, Dipali Samanta (Dandapat) has been added as private respondent No. 7 and copies of the application has been served upon her.

Mr.S.N.Ray, learned counsel suggests that the respondent authority may be directed to interview both the sides and if their claims of being the relatives of the deceased employee are established beyond

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reasonable doubt with supporting documents, the retiral benefits may be sanctioned to them as per prevalent rules.

After hearing the submissions of the learned counsels, the respondent No.3, the Superintendent of Police, Purba Medinipur is directed to call the applicant Renuka Dandapat claiming to be the mother and Dipali Samanta (Dandapat) claiming to be the wife of the deceased employee for a proper hearing and examination of their documents. If by such hearing and examination of the documents, the respondent No. 3 is satisfied of their claims of being the mother and the wife of the deceased employee, the retiral benefits may be sanctioned as per existing relevant rules. The entire exercise of hearing and passing the reasoned order may be completed within 3 months from the date of communication of this order.

Accordingly, the application is disposed of.

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

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