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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 84 OF 2024

SWAPAN KUMAR GANGULY & OTHERS - Vs - THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL & OTHERS.

Serial No. and

Date of order

For the Applicants : Mrs. Sunita Agarwal

Advocate

29.08.2024

For the State respondents : Mr. Goutam Pathak Banerjee

Advocate

For the Principal Accountant:

Mr. Biswanath Mitra

General (A&E) West Bengal

(Departmental Representative)

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 and the learned Departmental representative for the contesting parties, the case is taken up for consideration sitting singly.

Submission of Mrs.Agarwal, learned counsel is that the applicants are also similarly circumstanced to the applicants who got similar benefits in terms of a direction of the Tribunal in OA-722 of 2012 (Susanta Kr. Chakraborty -vs.- State of West Bengal). Praying for similar benefits, the applicants had furnished their individual representations before the Principal Secretary on different dates. Copies of such representations are found in this application. Mrs.Agarwal submits that it will suffice, if a direction is given to the respondent authorities to consider the representations in the light of the similar matter as referred above.

Appearing on behalf of the State respondents, Mr.Banerjee, learned counsel submits that if such a direction is given to the

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respondent authority to consider their representations, the same will be complied as per rules.

Having heard the submissions of the learned counsels, this application is disposed of by directing the respondent No. 1, the Principal Secretary, Food and Supplies Department to consider their representations earlier furnished before him by the applicants in accordance with rules within a period of six months from the date of communication of this order. The application is disposed of.

It is however, made clear that I have not gone into the merits of the matter and all points are kept open for the respondent authority to interpret.

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

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