### **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 886 OF 2019

JAHANGIR ALI & OTHERS - Vs - THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL & OTHERS

Serial No. and

Date of order

For the Applicants : Mr.A.Chowdhury

Mr.S.N.Ray

19 19.11.2024 Advocates

For the State Respondents : Mr.Goutam Pathak Banerjee

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 applicants have prayed for a direction to the respondent authorities not to give effect or proceed with the recruitment to the post of Constable in West Bengal Police - 2018. The applicants No. 1 to 11 are working as Civic Volunteers in West Bengal Police and the applicant No. 12 as Home Guard. The applicants have participated in the selection process for the post of Constable conducted by the West Bengal Police Recruitment Board during 2018. Submission of the learned counsel for the applicant is that though the advertisement published by the Board clearly made 15% and 10% reservation for NVF / Home Guards and Civic volunteers respectively, but the final merit list was not according to this advertisement showing reservations as stipulated in the advertisement.

The Tribunal finds from the copies of RTI's reply annexed in this application dated 05.11.2019, the SPIO of the Board in reply No. 4 and 6 has responded by stating that 10% reservation was extended for Civil

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Volunteers serving in the West Bengal Police who had completed 3 years of service. The applicant side has not been able to substantiate their argument by presenting a copy of the consolidated merit list published by the Board after completion of the recruitment process. Mr.Banerjee, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the respondents side submits that though the applicants participated in the recruitment process, but being unsuccessful, now finds some invalid grounds to challenge the recruitment process.

The applicant's side has not presented the consolidated list of the successful candidates, therefore, Mr.Banerjee, is requested to provide a copy before this Tribunal on the next date of hearing.

Let the matter appear under the heading 'Hearing' on  $20^{\text{th}}$  March, 2025.

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

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