## <u>order sheet</u> WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata - 700 091.

THE HON'BLE SAYEED AHMED BABA, OFFICIATING CHAIRPERSON AND ADMINISTRATIVE MEMBER,

## Case No. - <u>OA 911 OF 2017</u>

## NARAYAN PATTENDAR - Vs - THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL & OTHERS

Serial No. and			
Date of order	For the Applicant	:	Mr. R.Bhattacharyya
$\frac{22}{25.09.2024}$	For the State respondents	:	Advocate 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 Hon'ble High Court in WPST No. 170 of 2024 has directed this Tribunal to hear the matter singly. Both Mr.Bhattacharyya and Mr.Banerjee, learned counsels representing the applicant and the State respondents respectively are appreciative of the fact that this Tribunal has been functioning with just one Member for the last two years, instead of total six Members, including the Chairman. They are also appreciative of the fact that in this Tribunal around 5000 cases are listed and heard, out of which, on an average 100 new cases are filed every month and average 80 cases are disposed of every month. The Tribunal's repeated requests to the concerned authorities for appointment of more Members, has not been considered.

Further since this matter involves interpretation of various points of law, this Single Member Tribunal is constrained to hear this matter in its very limited capacity only on 9<sup>th</sup> April, 2025.

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

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**Present-**