ORDER SHEET WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

Present-

The Hon'ble JUSTICE RANJIT KUMAR BAG

& The Hon'ble DR. SUBESH KUMAR DAS

Case No - <u>OA 109 OF 2018</u>

Rina Sarkar + Another <u>Vs</u> The State of West Bengal & Ors.

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	For the Applicants : Mrs. S. Mitra, Learned Advocate.	
27.06.2018	Dearnea Mavocate.	
	For the Respondent No. 1 : Mr. S. Ghosh,	
	Learned Advocate.	
	For the Other Respondents : Mrs. S. Agarwal,	
	Learned Advocate.	
	One Dilip Sarkar, predecessor in interest of the	
	applicants died on November 16, 2010 while he was	
	working as Electrician in the office of Assistant Engineer	
	(Agri-Mech), Kalyani in the district of Nadia. The	
	application submitted by the applicant no. 2 for	
	compassionate appointment was processed by the	
	respondents and ultimately claim of the said applicant	
	was turned down by the Department of Water Resources	
	and Investigation, Government of West Bengal and the	
	said fact was communicated by the Assistant Secretary to	
	the Government of West Bengal of the concerned	
	department under letter dated March 22, 2013. The claim	
	of the applicant no. 1 for compassionate appointment was	
	again considered by the Department of Water Resources	
	Investigation and Development, Government of West	
	Bengal, but the claim was rejected and the fact of	

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rejection was communicated by the Assistant Secretary to the Government of West Bengal, Department of Water Resources Investigation and Development under letter dated August 16, 2017. It appears from the said letter dated August 16, 2017 that the Government cannot reconsider claim of the applicant No. 1 for compassionate appointment as the case of the applicant no. 1 is not covered under Notification issued in the year 2013.

Mrs. Mitra, Learned Counsel for the applicants, contends that the case of the applicant no. 1 will be governed by Notification issued by the Labour Department in the year 2008, as the cause of action for compassionate appointment of the applicants arose in the year 2010 when Notifications issued in the year 2008 were in force. Mr. Ghosh, Learned Counsel representing the state respondent no. 1, submits that the cases for compassionate appointment which were not disposed of till the date of issuance of Notification by the Labour Department in the year 2013 will be governed by the Notifications issued in the year 2013. We have also heard Mrs. Agarwal, Learned Counsel representing the state respondents No. 2 to 6.

On consideration of letter dated August 16, 2017 by which the fact of rejection of prayer of the applicant no. 1

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for compassionate appointment was communicated, we find that the Department of Water Resources Investigation and Development has not disclosed the specific reasons for rejection of claim of the applicant no. 1 for compassionate appointment. That apart, we are of the view that the cause of action for compassionate appointment of the applicant no. 1 arose when the husband of the applicant no. 1 died and as such, the Notification issued by the Labour Department, Government of West Bengal which was in force when the cause of action arose will be applicable for consideration of claim of the applicant no. 1 for compassionate appointment.

In view of our above findings, the letter dated August 16, 2017 (page 28 of the original application) and letter dated March 22, 2013 (Page 25 of the original application) are set aside. We direct the respondent no. 2, Principal Secretary to the Government of West Bengal, Department of Water Resources Investigation and Development to consider the claim of the applicant no. 1 for compassionate appointment on the basis of the materials already available and in accordance with the provisions of Notification No. 30-Emp. dated April 2, 2008 and Notification No. 114-Emp. dated August 14, 2008 issued by the Labour Department, Government of

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	West Bengal within a period of 16 (six	cteen) weeks from	
	the date of communication of the		
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	within a period of 2 (two) weeks thereaft		
	The applicant no. 1 is directed to	serve copy of this	
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	annexures on the respondent no. 2 by Sp		
	period of 2 (two) weeks from this date.		
	With the above direction, the origi		
	disposed of.		
	Let a plain copy of this order be s		
	parties.		
	(S.K.DAS)	(R.K.BAG)	
	Member (A)	Member (J)	
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