## WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

#### Present-

Hon'ble Justice Soumitra Pal, Hon'ble Chairman. & Hon'ble Mr. P. Ramesh Kumar, Administrative Member.

# Case No. OA 163 of 2015. DIPENDRA CHANDRA GHOSH – VS- THE STATE OF W.B. & ORS

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12.9.2018.	For the Applicant : Mrs. M. Roy Chowdhury, Advocate.			
	Advocate.			
	For the State Respondent : Mr. M.N. Roy,			
	Advocate.			
	In this application, the applicant, a Sub-			
	Inspector in the West Bengal Police, who had			
	superannuated at the time of filing the application, has			
	prayed for a direction upon the respondents to release an			
	amount of Rs. 1,06,335.60 towards medical			
	reimbursement of his wife as claimed by him and to grant			
	interest.			
	Mrs. M. Roy Chowdhury, learned advocate for			
	the applicant, relying on the statements made in the			
	application as well as in the rejoinder, submits that			
	earlier the applicant had moved an application which was			
	disposed on 24 <sup>th</sup> April,2013 by granting liberty to the			
	applicant to file a fresh application in the appropriate			
	proforma before the Superintendent of Police, Howrah			
	Rural , District - Howrah . Consequently, the applicant			
	had submitted the proforma. However the claim was			
	turned down. Submission is that though the			

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	Superintendent of Police, Howrah Rural, Howrah had	
	recommended the case for reconsidering the matter on	
	humanitarian ground, however, the applicant was	
	informed that in the absence of any specific rule under	
	W.B.H.S., 2008 regarding treatment outside the State	
	without prior approval, it cannot be granted. Submission	
	is as there is no doubt that the wife of the applicant had	
	undergone treatment at Vellore and as it is evident, the	
	Superintendent of Police, Howrah Rural, Howrah had	
	requested the authority to consider the matter on	
	humanitarian ground, appropriate order may be passed.	
	Mr. M.N. Roy, learned advocate for the state	
	respondent referring to the Memo dated 28 <sup>th</sup> February,	
	2012 issued by the Deputy Secretary to the Government	
	of West Bengal submits that as the treatment was done	
	without any prior approval of the department, the	
	amount was not sanctioned.	
	Heard learned advocates for the parties.	
	Evidently there is no dispute as noticed from the	
	submission made by the learned advocates for the	
	parties that the wife of the applicant had undergone	
	treatment at Vellore when the applicant was in service.	
	The Superintendent of Police, Howrah Rural, Howrah had	

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	requested the authorities to consider the matter on	
	humanitarian ground. Since the wife of the applicant had	
	undergone treatment and as the issue needs to be	
	considered from humanitarian angle, though office order	
	speaks for prior approval, in our view this application	
	should succeed.	
	Hence the Superintendent of Police, Howrah	
	Rural, District – Howrah and the Finance Secretary,	
	Government of West Bengal – respondent no. 4 and 5a	
	respectively are directed to release the amount of Rs.	
	1,06,335.60 towards reimbursement of the medical bill of	
	the wife of the applicant within six weeks from the date	
	of presentation of a copy of this order after verifying the	
	records. However, it is made clear that no interest will be	
	granted. This order will not be taken as a precedent. The	
	application is disposed of.	
	(P. Ramesh Kumar) (Soumitra Pal)	
	Member (A) Chairman.	
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