WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

Present-

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

Case No. OA 179 of 2015.
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15	For the Applicant : Mr. B.R.Neogi,	
15.11.2018.	Mr. A.K. Ganguly,	
13.11.2016.	Mr. A.K. Sinha,	
	Advocates. For the PSCWB : Mr. A.L. Basu,	
	Advocate.	
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	In this application the applicant, belonging to	
	the physically handicapped category, pursuant to a	
	notification for holding the West Bengal Audit and	
	Service (Special Recruitment Examination) 2013 had	
	appeared in the selection process. The grievance is	
	though in the advertisement it was specifically stated	
	that "the names of the candidates called to	
	Personality Test and those recommended for	
	appointment will be published provisionally subject to	
	determination of eligibility of the candidates in all	
	respects", however five candidates belonging to	
	physically handicapped category, whose names did not	
	appear in the list were called for the personality test,	
	which was beyond the powers of the Public Service	
	Commission, West Bengal. Accordingly the applicant has	
	sought for a direction upon the respondents to allow him	
	to appear in the interview.	
	It is submitted by Mr. B.R. Neogi, learned	

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	advocate for the applicant that since the terms in the	
	advertisement were bypassed, the entire selection	
	process relating to the physically handicapped category	
	may be quashed. In this regard, our attention has been	
	drawn to the said advertisement wherein it has been	
	specifically stipulated that there were eight vacancies in	
	the physically handicapped category. Submission is when	
	there is a specific categorisation, the Commission should	
	have published a separate list of the candidates called for	
	personally test in the physically handicapped category.	
	Mr. A.L. Basu, learned advocate for the	
	PSCWB submits that though a separate list of the	
	candidates belonging to physically handicapped	
	candidates was not published, however it is evident from	
	the annexure to the original application that the roll	
	number of the five physically handicapped candidates	
	had appeared in the list and they were called for	
	interview. Relying on the additional reply filed it is	
	submitted that the applicant, who was a physically	
	handicapped candidate, had scored 82.44 in paper-I and	
	30.12 in paper-II, totalling 112.56 marks, which fell short	

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	of the qualifying marks which was 132 for the general	
	(physically handicapped) candidates. Accordingly, the	
	applicant was not called for interview. Moreover since	
	the applicant had appeared in the selection process, in	
	view of the principles of law laid down in the judgement	
	of Ashok Kumar –V- State of Bihar (2017) 4 SCC 357, the	
	applicant, after participating in the selection process,	
	being unsuccessful cannot challenge the selection	
	process.	
	Heard learned advocates for the parties. We	
	find that roll numbers of the five physically handicapped	
	candidates had appeared in the list for personality test as	
	evident from pages 24 to 26 of the original application. As	
	evident from the additional reply the applicant having	
	secured 112.56 failed to secure the qualifying marks of	
	132 for being selected. Thus his roll number did not	
	figure in the list.	
	Moreover, in view of the principles of law	
	laid down in Ashok Kumar (supra), being unsuccessful in	
	the recruitment process the applicant cannot turn back	

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	and challenge the recruitment proce	ss. Therefore, the	
	application is dismissed.		
	(P. Ramesh Kumar) Member(A).	(Soumitra Pal) Chairman.	
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