ORDER SHEET WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

Present-

The Hon'ble Mrs. Urmita Datta (Sen), Member (J) & The Hon'ble P. Ramesh Kumar, Member (A).

OA-505 of 2019

Dr. Nikhil Kumar Ghorai

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05	For the petitioner : Mr. R.N. Bag,	
17.01.2020	Learned Advocate.	
	For the respondent : Mr. G.P. Banerjee,	
	Mr. S. Ghosh,	
	Learned Advocates.	
	The instant application has been filed	
	mainly challenging the impugned notices dated	
	18.09.2018 & 12.06.2019 (Annexure17 & 18), whereby	
	the applicant was directed to vacate the government	
	quarter within 15 days. As per the applicant, due to some	
	unwanted incidences, he was show caused with an	
	allegation of misusing the quarter, which was allotted to	
	him, however, till date neither any charge sheet has been	
	issued nor he has been terminated or transferred from	
	the place. Even no departmental proceeding has been	
	initiated against him till date. Further, without resorting	
	to any legal action for eviction of quarter, the	
	respondents straightway directed him to evict the	
	quarter within 15 days. Being aggrieved with he has filed	
	this instant application.	
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05	During the course of hearing, the counsel for	
17.01.2020	the respondents has submitted that one show cause	
	notice was issued against him alleging misusing of	
	government quarter and one preliminary enquiry report	
	has already been submitted, further, they have admitted	
	that no departmental proceeding or any proceedings for	
	eviction of quarter has been initiated.	
	In view of the above, it is observed that in the	
	instant case, only issue involved is with regard to the	
	maintainability of eviction notice, which is, as under :-	
	"Intimation to vacate govt. quarter.	
	As per instruction from higher	
	authority you are directed to vacate Govt.	
	quarter when you are now residing within	
	15 (fifteen) days of issue of this letter and	
	handover the key to the undersigned.	
	Please treat it as urgent."	
Page /2	From the perusal of the notice, it is noted that	
- 1	Superintendent of District Hospital, Darjeeling has simply	

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05	directed the employee concerned to vacate the	
17.01.2020	government quarter.	
	It is noted that if there is any serious allegation	
	of misutilization of government quarter against the	
	employee, the employer has every right to take action for	
	eviction but that should be in accordance with rules or	
	laws applicable for such eviction.	
	In the instant case, admittedly no such legal	
	procedure has been followed against the applicant for	
	misutilization of the government quarter but he has been	
	directly asked to vacate the quarter. Therefore, we have	
	no alternative to quash the eviction order dated	
	18.09.2018 & 12.06.2019 as the said orders have been	
	issued without following any legal provisions or rules of	
	eviction. Accordingly, the OA is disposed of. However,	
	respondents are at liberty to take appropriate action in	
	accordance with the rules.	
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