## WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

#### Present-

Hon'ble Justice Soumitra Pal, Hon'ble Chairman. & Hon'ble Dr. Subesh Kumar Das, Administrative Member.

# Case No. OA 635 of 2018. DEBABRATA CHOWDHURY - VS- THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL & ORS.

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3	For the Applicant : Mr. G.P. Banerjee,	
12.10.2018.	Mir Anowar.	
	For the State Respondent : None.	
	In this application, the applicant, a	
	Correspondence Clerk (UD) in the office of the Block	
	Development, Bhatar, Purba Burdwan, has prayed for a	
	direction upon the respondents either to allow him to	
	resume his duty and for payment of monthly salary or	
	suspension allowance in the event the petitioner is	
	deemed to have been suspended. It appears from the	
	application that the applicant has been implicated in a	
	criminal case, being Bhatar P.S. Case No. 34/2014 under	
	section 409 of the IPC wherein anticipatory bail was	
	granted by the High Court on 13 <sup>th</sup> August, 2014 in C.R.M.	
	4039 of 2014. It is pertinent to mention that in the	
	criminal case charge sheet has been submitted and the	
	matter is now pending before the Special Judge, 1 <sup>st</sup> Court,	
	East Burdwan and the petitioner is facing trial.	
	It appears from the statements made in the	
	application that the respondent authorities are not	
	allowing the applicant to resume his duty nor any	
	suspension order has been issued. As a result the	

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	petitioner is neither getting salary nor any suspension	
	allowance. It is submitted that though a representation	
	dated 12 <sup>th</sup> December, 2017 was furnished before the	
	Block Development Officer, Bhatar, Purba Burdwan – the	
	respondent no. 3, it has not been considered. Aggrieved	
	this application has been filed.	
	It is submitted by Mr. G.P. Banerjee, learned	
	advocate for the applicant that after filing this application	
	the respondent no. 2 has issued a memorandum dated	
	19 <sup>th</sup> September, 2018 proposing to take action under	
	Rule 8, Sub Rule (iii) of the West Bengal Services	
	(Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1971 and the	
	petitioner has been directed to submit a representation.	
	Heard Mr. G.P. Banerjee.	
	In this application the applicant has prayed	
	for the some reliefs, the relevant portion of which are as	
	under :-	
	(b) "To pass an order directing the concern	
	respondent authorities, particularly the Respondent No. 3	
	herein to resume his duty at the said office and further to	
	pay the monthly salary or suspension allowances in the	
	event the petitioner deemed to have been suspended.	

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(c) To pass an order directing the concern respondent authorities, particularly the Respondent No.3 herein to consider and early disposal of the representation dated 12.12.2017 which was submitted by the petitioner in accordance with law upon considering all materials placed in support thereof by the petitioner and giving opportunity of hearing to the applicant and pass a reasoned order within a specific period...."

Having heard Mr. G.P. Banerjee, learned advocate for the applicant, this application is disposed of by directing the District Magistrate, Purba Burdwan the respondent no. 2, to decide and dispose of the matter whether the petitioner should be allowed to resume his duty or be suspended since criminal proceedings are pending by passing a reasoned order to be communicated to the parties within four weeks from the date of presentation of a copy of this order after giving an opportunity of hearing and after verifying the records.

(Subesh Kumar Das) Member(A). (Soumitra Pal) Chairman.

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