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WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

Present-

**The Hon'ble JUSTICE RANJIT KUMAR BAG
& The Hon'ble DR. SUBESH KUMAR DAS**

Case No – OA 773 OF 2018

Mabuda Begum (Khatoon) Vs The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Serial No. and Date of order. 1	Order of the Tribunal with signature 2	Office action with date and dated signature of parties when necessary 3
<p style="text-align: center;">05 <hr/>27.06.2019</p>	<p><i>For the Applicant : Mr. M. Mondal, Mr. N. Ahmed, Learned Advocates.</i></p> <p><i>For the State Respondents : None</i></p> <p><i>For the respondent No. 4 : Mr. S. Bhattacharjee, Learned Advocate.</i></p> <p><i>For A.G.(A&E), W.B. : Mr. B. Mitra, Departmental Representative.</i></p> <p><i>The applicant has prayed for direction upon the respondents to grant her family pension as wife of the deceased government employee, Sultan Ahmed, Ex-Peon attached to the office of the respondent no. 2.</i></p> <p><i>The contention of the applicant is that Sultan Ahmed retired from the establishment of respondent no. 2 as Peon on July 31, 1989. He used to draw his pension in usual course w.e.f. August 01, 1989 till the date of his death on July 24, 2000. It is contended on behalf of the applicant that the applicant did not get family pension after the death of her husband Sultan Ahmed for not opening joint bank account of the applicant and her husband at the time of opening of bank account by her husband for the purpose of obtaining pension. Previously, the applicant</i></p>	

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had approached the Tribunal by filing OA 356 of 2017, whereby the Tribunal directed the respondent no. 4 to take necessary action in terms of the letter issued of Senior Accounts Officer of the Principal Accountant General (A&E), West Bengal, so that the applicant may get family pension without further delay. However, without getting family pension, the applicant had to approach this Tribunal for the second time by filing the present application.

It appears from the materials on record that the applicant has already opened the Saving Bank Account No. 0180010063018 in United Bank of India in the Branch of the respondent no. 4 for the purpose of disbursement of the amount of family pension in her favour. What transpires from the materials on record is that the applicant is entitled to get family pension w.e.f. July 25, 2000 till the date of actual disbursement of family pension by issuance of PPO from the end of respondent no. 3. Naturally, the amount of arrears of family pension need to be disbursed by the order of the respondent no. 2 who happens to be the pension sanctioning authority of the deceased husband of the present applicant.

Under the above circumstances, we direct the respondent no. 2 to take necessary steps for grant of family pension and disbursement of the arrears of family

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pension in favour of the applicant on verification of identity of the applicant within a period of 12 (twelve) weeks from the date of communication of the order. The respondent no. 2 is further directed to communicate to the respondent no. 4 about the identity of the applicant for operation of Bank Account by the applicant, in United Bank of India, Rayal Exchange Branch, Kolkata within a period of 8 (eight) weeks after verification of identity of the applicant.

With the above direction, the original application stands disposed of.

Let a plain copy of the order be supplied to all the parties.

**(S.K.DAS)
Member (A)**

**(R.K.BAG)
Member (J)**

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