## WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

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

# Case No. OA 927 of 2015. SHRI SUKUMAR DEBNATH & ANOTHER –Versus- THE STATE OF W.B. & ORS.

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19	For the Applicants : Mrs. S. Agarwal,				
14.3.2019.	Advocate.				
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	For the State Respondent : Mr. G.P. Banerjee,				
	Mr. B.P. Roy,				
	Advocates.				
	For the P.S.C.W.B. : Mr. A.L. Basu,				
	Mr. S. Bhattacharjee,				
	Advocates.				
	In this application Sukumar Debnath and				
	Pratap Ghosh, the applicant nos. 1 and 2, stated to be in				
	the land loser category, have prayed for the following				
	reliefs :-				
	"The Hon'ble Tribunal may be pleased to				
	pass an order restraining the respondents from giving any				
	effect or further effect to the impugned Modified list of				
	candidates of ASI Excise-13 (2 <sup>ND</sup> .list) and further				
	restraining the respondents from making any				
	change/and/or delete the names of the applicants from				
	the list of nominated candidates of ASI Excise-13 (2 <sup>nd</sup> List)				
	where the names of the applicants are there and further				
	directing the respondents to treat the List of nominated				
	candidates of ASI Excise-13 (2 <sup>nd</sup> list) as valid and genuine				
	and thereby issue appointments in favour of the				

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	applicants as ASI, Excise Department, Government of	
	West Bengal at the earliest and thereby do justice to the	
	applicants".	
	The matter was admitted on 15 <sup>th</sup> September,	
	2015. Apart from issuing directions to file reply and	
	rejoinder, an interim order was passed directing that	
	"pending hearing of this application, two posts shall	
	be kept vacant in respect of the Assistant Sub-Inspector of	
	Excise Recruitment Examination, 2013".	
	Mrs. S. Agarwal, learned advocate appearing	
	on behalf of the applicants submits that during the	
	pendency of the application since Pratap Ghosh has got	
	an employment, she is not pressing the case of the said	
	applicant. So far as the case of Sukumar Debnath is	
	concerned, referring to the merit list appearing at page	
	35 of the application, it is submitted that admittedly the	
	said applicant belonged to the BC:B (EC) category. In the	
	said category there were five vacancies. It is evident from	
	page 35 of the reply that there were five successful	
	candidates and the applicant stood fifth in the said	
	category. As Pratap Ghosh and Dipak Biswas have already	
	been appointed and three vacancies still remain,	

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	appropriate order may be passed directing the	
	authorities to appoint Sukumar Debnath.	
	Mr. B.P. Roy, learned advocate appearing on	
	behalf of the State respondents referring to the reply	
	submits that though there were five vacancies, however	
	the applicant could not be appointed as the life of the	
	panel has expired. Mr. A.L. Basu, learned advocate for the	
	Public Service Commission, West Bengal supports the	
	submission of the State.	
	Heard learned advocates for the parties.	
	Admitedly there were five vacancies in the OBC:B [EC]	
	category as evident from page 35 of the application as	
	well as from page 2 of the reply filed by the State. In	
	order of merit the applicant stood fifth. Sukhdeb Banik	
	and Dipak Biswas the other successful candidates were	
	appointed. In the said category three vacancies still	
	remain. Since Pratap Ghosh the other applicant is not	
	interested for reasons mentioned hereinbefore, two	
	candidates still remain to be appointed. Sukumar	
	Debnath, the applicant is one of them. As there are three	
	vacancies in the OBC:B[EC] category, in our view the	
	applicant has made out a case for appointment. Since the	

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	matter has been pending before the Tribunal, the	
	submission of the State that as the life of the panel has	
	expired appointment cannot be given, is not acceptable.	
	Hence for the reasons as aforesaid, the Principal	
	Secretary, Excise Department, Government of West	
	Bengal – the respondent no. 1(a), now redesignated as	
	Additional Chief Secretary, is directed to appoint	
	Sukumar Debnath, the applicant, as Assistant Sub-	
	Inspector, Excise, within sixteen weeks from the date of	
	presentation of a copy of this order on compliance of	
	formalities, including medical examination and police	
	verification. The application is allowed.	
	(P. Ramesh Kumar) (Soumitra Pal) Member(A). Chairman.	
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