ORDER SHEET WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700 091.

The Hon'ble Sayeed Ahmed Baba, Officiating Chairperson & Member (A)

Case No. OA – 112 of 2025

Rabin Murmu - VERSUS - THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL & ORS.

Serial No. and Date of order $\frac{2}{28.04.2025}$

Present-

For the Respondents

For the Applicant

: Mrs. S. Mitra, Learned Advocate.

: M. S. N. Ray, Learned Advocate.

The matter is taken up by the Single Bench pursuant to the order contained in the Notification No. 638 - WBAT / 2J-15/2016 dated 23^{rd} November, 2022 issued in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 5(6) of the Administrative Tribunals Act, 1985.

Affidavit of service filed be kept in record.

The applicant has filed this application praying for a direction to the respondent authorities to appoint him to a post of Group – D on compassionate ground. As stated by the applicant in his application, his father, Ramchandra Murmu holding a post of Group – D as Bana Shramik under the Department of Forest died while in service on 16.12.2016. The mother of the applicant, Sukul Murmu furnished a prayer before the Divisional Forest Officer, Jhargram Division on 09.03.2017 praying for a compassionate appointment in favour of her son, the present applicant. A correspondence lying in Memo 434128 dated 05.09.2023 from the Department to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF reveals that an in principle approval of the Department was given for such an appointment which were subject to fulfilments of certain conditions. Another Memo 1098 dated 26.06.2024 reveals that the applicant's PVR was returned with the remarks 'no opinion' since he was involved in a criminal case No. 20/2010 dated 27.04.2010.

From the above facts, it appears to the Tribunal that although the Department had in principle agreed to offer such an appointment to the applicant, but due to his involvement in a criminal case, such appointment was not formalised. The case relates to 2010 filed in Jamboni Police Station.

The applicant side is directed to submit before this Tribunal the status of this case pending against him on the next date.

Learned counsel for the State, Mr. Ray has also been advised to take instructions and submit relevant details before the Tribunal on the next date.

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The matter is admitted.

Let the matter appear under the heading "Hearing" on 03.07.2025.

SAYEED AHMED BABA OFFICIATING CHAIRPERSON & MEMBER(A)

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