ORDER SHEET

WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700 091.

Present-

THE HON'BLE SAYEED AHMED BABA, OFFICIATING CHAIRPERSON AND ADMINISTRATIVE MEMBER

Case No. – OA - 234 of 2025

Jitendra Nath Mondal - Vs - The State of West Bengal & Ors.

Serial No. and Date of order

 $\frac{01}{20.05.2025}$

For the Applicant : Mr. B.R. Neogi,

Mr. Sourav Bhattacharjee,

Learned Advocates.

For the State : Mr. S.N. Ray,

Respondents 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 (Pt.-II) dated 23rd 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 with the record.

In this application, the applicant has prayed for setting aside the impugned order dated 06.03.2025. By this impugned order, the Disciplinary Authority having found the charged officer guilty of all the charges, imposed the punishment of 25% pension cut for a period of five years. Mr. Neogi, learned counsel argues that the Disciplinary Authority, Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests cannot exercise such power under Rule 10 of WBS(DCRB) Rules, 1971. Admission of this application being not opposed. The matter is admitted.

Let the matter appear under the heading **Hearing** on 13.08.2025. Reply/Rejoinder, if any, in the meantime.

(SAYEED AHMED BABA)
OFFICIATING CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBER (A)