

ORDER SHEET
WEST BENGAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL
Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700 091.

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

Case No. – OA 169 of 2025

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Serial No. and Date of order	For the Applicant	: Mr. G.P. Banerjee, Mrs. P. Sasmal, Ld. Advocates
<u>01</u> 21.04.2025	For the State Respondents	: Mr. S. Ghosh, Ld. Advocate.
	For the P.S.C., W.B.	: Mr. S. Bhattacharjee, Ld. 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 on record.

The applicant has prayed for setting aside the disciplinary proceedings initiated against him by Memo No. 5897 dated 21.08.2019. The applicant had approached this Tribunal for similar relief in OA 444 of 2023. The Tribunal by its order dated 05.12.2024 had directed the Secretary, Department of Panchayat and Rural Development to conclude the proceedings within the next three months.

Mr. Banerjee, learned counsel has submitted that despite such direction, the disciplinary proceedings have not been concluded, therefore, he has approached this Tribunal praying for setting aside the entire Disciplinary Proceedings.

Mr. Ghosh, learned counsel appearing on behalf of the State respondents has indicated that the disciplinary proceedings are being concluded and presently the views of the Vigilance Commission is awaited.

Mr. Bhattacharjee, learned counsel appearing for the Public Service Commission, West Bengal has submitted that the views of the Commission were sought by the disciplinary proceedings and after examination of the matter had advised the authorities to clarify certain points along with supporting documents. However, these clarifications have not been clarified by the Disciplinary Authority till date.

Mr. Ghosh, learned counsel has been advised to file a reply covering

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the actual status of the proceedings and the tentative date by which the disciplinary proceeding will be concluded. He has also been advised to clarify to the Commission the points it had asked for without further delay.

The matter is admitted.

Let the matter appear under the heading "Hearing" on 19.11.2025.

SAYEED AHMED BABA
Officiating Chairperson & Member (A)

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