

**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 262 OF 2025**

**LALMOHAN MONDAL - VERSUS - THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL & ORS.**

Serial No.	For the Applicant	:	Mr. Sujit Kumar Mitra, Learned Advocate
and Date of order	For the State Respondents	:	Mr. Sankha Ghosh, Learned Advocate
<u>1</u> 10.06.2025	For the Principal Accountant General (A&E), West Bengal	:	Mr. Biswanath Mitra, Departmental Representative

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 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 2022 issued in exercise of the powers conferred under section 5(6) of the Administrative Tribunals Act, 1985.

Let affidavit of service filed be kept on record.

The prayer in this application is for a direction to the respondent authorities to set aside the reasoned order dated 08.03.2025, passed by the Additional Chief Secretary, Irrigation & Waterways Department. In terms of a direction of this Tribunal in O.A. 240 of 2023, the Additional Chief Secretary, Irrigation & Waterways Department, passed a reasoned order, dated 08.03.2025, regretting to condone the shortfall in qualifying service under Rule 36 of the West Bengal Services (Death-cum-Retirement Benefit) Rules, 1971, for extending the benefit of pension in his favour. However, the other issues relating to counting of the past service, as a muster roll worker, under Rule 22 (1) of the West Bengal Services (Death-cum-Retirement Benefit) Rules, 1971, has been recommended for approval of the Finance Department.

After examination of the records, the Tribunal is of the view that unless the Finance Department takes a decision, the Tribunal is not in a position to interfere at this stage. Let the matter appear under the heading "Admission Hearing" on 24.09.2025.

The Tribunal does not find the Principal Accountant General (A&E) has any role in this matter. Let the name of respondent No. 3, the Principal Accountant General (A&E) be expunged from the array of respondents.

SCN.

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