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 674 OF 2019

SUCHITRA DAS - Vs - THE STATE OF WEST BENGAL & OTHERS.

Serial No. and Date of order

For the Applicant : Mr. Sourav Bhattacharjee

Advocate

 $\frac{08}{02.07.2025}$

For the Respondents No. 1 : Ms. Ruma Sarkar

Mr. Sourav Debray

Mr. R.Bag

(Departmental Representative)

For the Private Respondent : None

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.

On consent of the learned counsel and the learned Departmental representatives for the contesting parties, the case is taken up for consideration sitting singly.

The applicant has prayed for a direction to the respondent authorities not to give effect or further effect of the order dated 22.07.2019. By this order, the respondent authorities excluded the name of the applicant as a legal heir and not entitled for any benefits accruing from the death of the deceased employee, Dhirendra Nath Das. The applicant claims to be the second wife of the deceased employee and has agitated for release of all the benefits of the deceased employee including Family Pension. The impugned order, however, does not show her name, rather the names of children from the first wife, who is now deceased are shown. The names of Kumari Champa Das and Tumpa Das Shankar appearing in the impugned order are the daughters of the deceased employee from the first wife and they are also private

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respondents in this application.

To this Tribunal, it appears that the core issue relates to family dispute and legal heirship of the deceased employee. The Tribunal does not have the jurisdiction to enter into such family disputes. The remedy lies in the appropriate forum. However, the learned counsels have suggested that one WPST-128 of 2025 is pending before the Hon'ble High Court, therefore, it would be prudent, if this matter is heard and disposed of later.

Let the matter appear under the heading "Admission Hearing" on 17th September, 2025.

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

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