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THE GAUHATI HIGH COURT
(HIGH COURT OF ASSAM, NAGALAND, MIZORAM AND ARUNACHAL PRADESH)

Case No. : WP(C)/2786/2021

DR. SARANGADHAR BARAL
S/O SUDARSAN BARAL
PRESENT RESIDENT OF T 33, BLOCK IV QUARTER, MIZORAM
UNIVERSITY, AIZAWL, MIZORAM

VERSUS

THE STATE OF ASSAM AND 4 ORS
REPRESENTED BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO THE GOVT. OF ASSAM,
HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, DISPUR GUWAHATI 781006

2:THE DIRECTOR OF HIGHER EDUCATION
ASSAM
KAHILIPARA
GUWAHATI 781006

3:THE PRINCIPAL
TIHU COLLEGE
TIHU
781371
DIST NALBARI
ASSAM

4:THE REGISTRAR (ADMINISTRATION)
MIZORAM UNIVERSITY
TANHRIL
AIZAWL
796004
MIZORAM

5:THE PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT GENERAL (A AND E)
ASSAM

MAIDAMGAON
BELTOLA
GUWAHATI- 781029

Advocate for the Petitioner : MR D K ROY

Advocate for the Respondent : SC, HIGHER EDU

BEFORE
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE N. UNNI KRISHNAN NAIR

ORDER

Date : 25.04.2024

Heard Mr. D. K. Roy, learned counsel for the petitioner. Also heard Mr. A. R. Tabildar, learned Standing Counsel for the Higher Education Department appearing for the respondents no. 1 & 2 and Mr. R. K. Talukdar, learned Standing Counsel for the Principal Accountant General (A & E), Assam representing the respondent no. 5.

The present proceeding has been instituted by the petitioner herein, praying for a direction upon the respondent authorities of opening a General Provident Fund (GPF) account in his favor so as to enable him to receive regular pension and pensionary benefits on his retirement.

The petitioner was appointed as a Lecturer in the department of English at Tihu College, Tihu, vide an order dated 25.08.1984 and the services of the petitioner was regularized w.e.f. 01.01.1986. It is the contention of the petitioner that in spite of being regularized in his services his GPF account was not so opened.

This Court had vide an order dated 03.04.2024, passed in the present proceeding required Mr. R. K. Talukdar, learned Standing Counsel to receive his instruction in the matter. Accordingly, Mr. Talukdar, learned Standing Counsel, Accountant General (A & E), Assam has placed before this Court a communication received by him from the office of the Principal Accountant General (A & E), Assam, wherein it has been contended that the GPF account of the petitioner bearing No. CED-7491 was already opened. The said communication has also as its enclosure, a letter dated 04.08.2017, issued by the office of the Principal Accountant General (A & E), Assam with regard to the allotment of GPF account number to the petitioner.

In view of the fact that the GPF account was already opened for the petitioner herein, the prayer as made in the writ petition stands redressed and there arises no further issue for adjudication in the matter. Accordingly, in the light of the disclosure as made by the Principal Accountant General (A & E), Assam in the communication dated 18.04.2024, the present writ petition stands closed.

A copy of the communication dated 18.04.2024, as produced by Mr. Talukdar, learned Standing Counsel along with its enclosure is kept on record and marked as 'X' for identification.

JUDGE

Comparing Assistant