



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Forest and Wildlife Department- Establishment- Final order dated 29.11.2021 of Hon'ble Kerala Administrative Tribunal in OA 2113/2021 filed by Sri.S.Sreekumar- Complied with- Orders issued.

FOREST AND WILDLIFE (F)DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.124/2022/F&WLD Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, 24-03-2022.

Read 1 Government letter No.F1/332/2021 dated 23.09.2021.

2 Representation dated 17.11.2021 submitted by Sri.S.Sreekumar.

3 Final order dated 29.11.2021 of Hon'ble Kerala Administrative Tribunal in OA 2113/2021 filed by Sri.S.Sreekumar.

ORDER

Sri.S.Sreekumar had filed an Original Application OA No.2113/2021 before the Hon'ble Kerala Administrative Tribunal with a prayer for a direction to allow him to continue in service up to the age of 60 years on temporary basis in Forest Department. He was working as a Gardner- Cum-Pump Operator on temporary basis in State Forest Training Institute, Arippa.

2. As per letter read as 1st paper above, Government had directed the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Head of Forest Force to terminate the service of all daily wage employees who have attained an age above 56 years, except those who belong to SC/ST category, those who appointed on compassionate basis and those who appointed on the basis of specific Government order/direction, in Forest Department. The contention of the Applicant is that subsequent to the Government direction, the Director, State Forest Training Institute, Arippa, had terminated the service of the Applicant for the reason that he had crossed the age of 56 years.

3. The Hon'ble Kerala Administrative Tribunal in its Order read as per 3rd paper above, directed the 1st respondent ie; Secretary, Forest & Wildlife Department to consider and to pass appropriate orders on

Annexure A5 representation submitted by the Applicant, if necessary after affording an opportunity of personal hearing to the Applicant.

4. Accordingly, the Applicant was heard by the Under Secretary, Forest and Wildlife Department. While hearing, the Applicant had requested for to continue in service up to the age of 60 years on temporary basis. In Annexure A5 representation read as 2nd paper above, the Applicant had stated that the employees those who came under the purview of National Pension System are allowed to continue till the age of 60 and a similar treatment should be afforded to him also. He had also pointed that in the case of persons appointed through Hospital Development Committees in Health Department on temporary basis were permitted to continue up to the age of 65 years.

5. Government have examined the matter in detail. Government had taken a decision to terminate the service of all daily wage employees who have attained an age of 56 years, except those who belong to SC/ST category, those who appointed on compassionate basis and those who appointed on the basis of specific Government order/direction, in Forest Department. The Applicant alone cannot be given exemption in this regard. Hence the contentions of the petitioner in Annexure A5 representation is hereby rejected upholding the proceedings of Director, State Forest Training Institute, Arippa, terminating the service of the Applicant.

6. The final order of Hon'ble Kerala Administrative Tribunal dated 29.11.2021 in OA 2113/2021 is thus complied with.

(By order of the Governor)
LIYA LATHEEF.A
UNDER SECRETARY

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Head of Forest Force,
Thiruvananthapuram.

The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Admin),
Thiruvananthapuram.

The Director, State Forest Training Institute, Arippa,
Thiruvananthapuram.

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