THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT INDUSTRIAL TRIBUNAL CUM LABOUR COURT DELHI - 1, NEW DELHI.

ID No. 90/2023

Sh. Surender Kumar S/o Sh. Ram Avtar, Rept. By General Secretary, Municipal Employees Union, (Regd No. 793), Agarwal Bhawan, G.T. Road, Tis Hazari-110054.

Workman...

Versus

The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation of Delhi, Dr. S.P. Mukherjee Civic Centre, J.L. Nehru Marg, New Delhi-110002.

Management...

AWARD

In the present case, a reference was received from the appropriate Government vide letter No. L-42011/3/2023 (IR(DU)) dated 13.03.2023 under clause (d) of sub-section (1) and sub-section (2A) of Section 10 of the Act, for adjudication of a dispute, terms of which are as under:

The Schedule

"Whether demands of Sh. Surender Kumar vide letter dated 12.01.2022 through Municipal Employees' Union, New Delhi to the management of South Delhi Municipal Corporation, New Delhi and Executive Engineer, Nazafgarh Zone, Delhi for disbursement / payment of the entire arrears of salary of the disputant worker from May 2021 onwards till date, are proper, legal and justified? If yes, to what reliefs the disputant are entitled and what directions, if any, is necessary in the matter?"

2. In the reference order, the appropriate Government commanded the parties

raising the dispute to file statement of claim, complete with relevant documents,

list of reliance and witnesses with this Tribunal within 15 days of receipt of the

reference order and to forward a copy of such statement of claim to the opposite

parties involved in the dispute. Despite directions so given, Claimant union opted

not to file the claim statement with the Tribunal.

3. On receipt of the above reference, notice was sent to the workman as well

as the managements. Neither the postal article sent to the claimant, referred above,

was received back nor was it observed by the Tribunal that postal services

remained unserved in the period, referred above. Therefore, every presumption

lies in favor of the fact that the above notice was served upon the claimant. Despite

service of the notice, claimant opted to abstain away from the proceedings. No

claim statement was filed on his behalf. Thus, it is clear that the workman is not

interested in adjudication of the reference on merits.

4. Since the workman has neither put in his appearance nor he led any

evidence so as to prove his cause against the management, this Tribunal is left

with no choice, except to pass a 'No Dispute/Claim' award. Let this award be sent

to the appropriate Government, as required under Section 17 of the Industrial

Disputes Act, 1947, for publication.

Justice Vikas Kunvar Srivastava

Retired Judge, Allahabad High Court

Presiding Officer

Date: 07.11.2024

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