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① 28.4.94 Hon. Mr. S. Das Gupta, A.M.  
Hon. Mr. T. L. Verma, J.M.

Advocates have resolved  
not work today. The case  
is adjourned to 20.5.94 for  
admission.

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② 20.5.94

Hon. Mr. S. Das Gupta, A.M.  
Hon. Mr. T. L. Verma, J.M.

Sr. AK Pandey Proxy Counsel for  
Sr. S.P. Pandey submits that  
the Counsel for the applicant  
is busy elsewhere. Adjourned  
for this case on 13.7.1994 for  
admission.

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Submitted before  
Honble Court on 13-7-94  
for admission.

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13/7/94

③ Hon. Mr. S. Das Gupta Am  
Hon. Mr. T. L. Verma Jm

None appeared on behalf of the  
applicant. The case is adjourned to  
10/8/94 for admission.

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CENTRAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

ALLAHABAD BENCH, ALLAHABAD

Original Application No: 662 of 1994

R.S.Tewari ..... Applicant.

Versus

Union of India & Ors. .... Respondents.

Hon'ble Mr. S.Das Gupta, Member-A  
Hon'ble Mr. T.L.Verma, Member-J

(By Hon'ble Mr. S.Das Gupta, A.M.)

Heard Shri S.P.Pandey, learned counsel  
for the applicant on admission.

2. The applicant in this case<sup>2</sup> stated to be continuously working as Extra Departmental Branch Post Master since 1961 and the work and conduct of the applicant is stated to have always been good and satisfactory. It has also been stated that the applicant has been put off duty by the impugned order dated 17.1.1994 without indicating any reasons thereof. It is this order, which is under challenge in this application.

3. The competent authority has got <sup>Full powers</sup> however, under the relevant Rules to put an Extra Departmental Agent off duty in contemplation of disciplinary proceedings. It appears that after the impugned order was served on the applicant, a chargesheet was also been served on him. It is therefore, clear that the disciplinary action is already ~~intrained~~. In view of this, we are not inclined to interfere at this stage and adjudicate upon the

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reasonableness or otherwise of serving the impugned order which is of interlocutory nature. However, an employee cannot be kept off duty for <sup>indefinite</sup> ~~indicated~~ period and the disciplinary action initiated against the applicant must be finalised expeditiously in a time bound manner.

4. We are therefore, of the view that it will be just and fair to direct the respondents to bring the disciplinary action against the applicant to a conclusion expeditiously within a period, not exceeding 6 months. The applicant shall co-operate with the competent authority in bringing the inquiry to a expeditious conclusion in accordance with law.

5. With this direction, this application stands disposed of at the admission stage.

  
Member-J

  
Member-A

Allahabad Dated: 10.8.1994

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