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**HIGH COURT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR AND LADAKH  
AT JAMMU**

**WP(C) No. 1415/2026**

Date of pronouncement : 18.05.2026

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Deepak Sardalia

.....Petitioner

Through:- Mr. Ashwani Gupta, Advocate.

**V/s**

UT of J&K & Ors.

.....Respondents

Through:- Mr. Ravinder Gupta, AAG.

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAHUL BHARTI, JUDGE**

**ORDER**

**01.** The petitioner is aggrieved of non-response from the end of Jammu Municipal Corporation (JMC) and its decision makers with respect to the representation of the petitioner regarding his employment status.

**02.** The petitioner came to be the beneficiary of compassionate appointment in terms of Jammu Municipal Corporation's **Order No. 344 of 2019** dated **14.01.2019**, whereby the petitioner came to be appointed as 'Disinfector' under **SRO-43 of 1994** when his father, namely, Mani Ram Sharma, who was serving on the post of 'Supervisor' in Jammu

Municipal Corporation (JMC), had died in harness in the year 2017 leaving behind a widow and two sons and at that time the petitioner, being the eldest, having done his B.Tech in Electronics and Communication was constrained to ask for compassionate appointment.

**03.** The petitioner's grievance is that he is seeking upgradation of his status on account of his educational qualification and also by reference to the fact that all along his services have been availed by different officials of Jammu Municipal Corporation (JMC) as a 'Personal Assistant'.

**04.** This Court sees no adjudicatory content in this writ petition except that the petitioner has a right of knowing the fate of his representation submitted to none else than his own employer i.e., Jammu Municipal Corporation (JMC).

**05.** Mr. Ravinder Gupta, learned AAG on the other hand submits that otherwise also the petitioner could not have been heard in the writ petition in view of the position of law settled by the Hon'ble Division Bench of this Court in its judgment dated **27.02.2026** in **LPASW No. 145/2018** "**State of Jammu & Kashmir & Ors. Vs Javaid Ahmad Ganai & Ors.**" and also of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India's judgment in the case "**The Director of Town Panchayat & Ors. vs M Jayabal & Anr.**" [2025 INSC 1423].

**06.** Be that as it may, this Court is inclined to **dispose** of this writ petition at its inception stage by directing the respondent No. 2-Commissioner, Jammu Municipal Corporation (JMC), to consider the pending representation whatsoever of the petitioner or which the petitioner may like to supplement by submission of a fresh representation regarding his grievance.

**07.** Needful be done at the end of the respondent No. 2-Commissioner, Jammu Municipal Corporation (JMC) by or before **30.06.2026**.

**08.** The petitioner is directed to submit a copy of this writ petition along with *annexures* to the respondent No. 2-Commissioner, Jammu Municipal Corporation (JMC), Town Hall, Jammu by or before **31.05.2026**, whereupon 30 days time ending on **30.06.2026** shall start running with respect to consideration to come from the end of the respondent No. 2-Commissioner, Jammu Municipal Corporation (JMC).

**09.** The present writ petition is, accordingly, **disposed** of.

**(RAHUL BHARTI)**  
**JUDGE**

**JAMMU**  
**18.05.2026**

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Whether the order is speaking: Yes/No

Whether the order is reportable: Yes/No