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WP No. 16661 of 2021

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU

DATED THIS THE 16TH DAY OF JULY, 2026

BEFORE

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ASHOK S.KINAGI

WRIT PETITION NO. 16661 OF 2021 (S-RES)

BETWEEN:

SMT S V PRATHIMA
W/O KARADIGOWDA
AGED ABOUT 42 YEARS
DIVISIONAL TRAFFIC OFFICER
BANGALORE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORT
CORPORATION CENTRAL OFFICES
2ND FLOOR, SHANTHINAGAR BUS STAND
K H ROAD
BANGALORE - 560027
RESIDING AT NO 434/2, 8TH MAIN
4TH CROSS, BEML V PHASE
R R NAGAR
BANGALORE - 560098

...PETITIONER

(BY SRI. SATISH CHANDRA Y S., ADVOCATE)

AND:

1. KARNATAKA STATE ROAD TRANSPORT
CORPORATION
REPRESENTED BY ITS MANAGING DIRECTOR
SAARIGE BHAVANA
K H ROAD, SHANTHINAGAR
BENGALURU - 560027
2. BANGALORE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORT
CORPORATION

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signed by
SHILPABAI S
Location:
HIGH
COURT OF
KARNATAKA





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REPRESENTED BY ITS MANAGING DIRECTOR
CENTRAL OFFICES, SHANTHINAGAR
BANGALORE – 560027

3. THE CHIEF ACCOUNTS OFFICER AND FINANCIAL
AUDITOR
B M T C CENTRAL OFFICES
K H ROAD
BANGALORE - 560027

...RESPONDENTS

(BY SMT. RENUKA H R, ADVOCATE FOR R2 & R3
R1 SERVED)

THIS WRIT PETITION IS FILED UNDER ARTICLES 226
AND 227 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA PRAYING TO SET
ASIDE THE ENDORSEMENT BEARING No.Be.Ma.Na.Sa.KeKa/Le
Pa/Vethana/468/2021-22 DATED 04.08.2021 ISSUED BY THE
R-3 VIDE ANNEX-M AND DIRECT THE RESPONDENTS TO
EXTEND THE ANNUAL INCREMENT WITH EFFECT FROM
25.01.2011 WITH CONSEQUENTIAL BENEFITS AND CONTINUE
TO EXTEND THE SAME.

THIS PETITION, COMING ON FOR PRELIMINARY HEARING
IN 'B' GROUP, THIS DAY, ORDER WAS MADE THEREIN AS
UNDER:

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ASHOK S.KINAGI

ORAL ORDER

The petitioner filed this writ petition seeking the
following reliefs:

- "a) *Issue a writ of certiorari or order or direction or any
other appropriate writ setting aside the
endorsement bearing No.Be.Ma.Na.Sa/KeKa/Le*



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Pa/Vethana/468/2021-22 dated 4/8/2021 issued by the 3rd respondent ANNEXURE M and direct the respondents to extend the annual increment with effect from 25-1-2011 with consequential benefits and continue to extend the same.

b) Pass such other order/orders in the circumstances of the case to meet the ends of justice and equity."

2. Brief facts leading rise to the filing of this petition are as follows:

2.1. The petitioner submitted a representation to the respondents on 03.02.2012 requesting to sanction annual increment regularly in the month of January. Respondent No.3 issued an endorsement dated 10/13.07.2012 informing that in view of leave granted to him without wages, the increment is postponed to August. On 18.06.2013, the petitioner sought information under the Right to Information Act regarding postponement of her annual increment. The respondents-Corporation has issued circular dated 17.07.2013 and the same was forwarded through a letter dated 30.07.2013. The said circular dated



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17.07.2013 has no application to the case of the petitioner. The petitioner approached this Court by filing a writ petition in WP No. 29069 of 2014 against the inaction on the part of the respondents in not considering the representation and challenging the endorsement dated 10/13.07.2012. This Court, vide order dated 29.03.2021, disposed of the writ petition and directed the respondents to re-consider the representation of the petitioner dated 03.05.2012 in accordance with law and pass appropriate order within 8 weeks from the date of receipt of copy of that order. Pursuant to the order passed by this Court in the aforesaid petition, the respondents-Corporation has issued the impugned endorsement dated 04.08.2021 vide Annexure-M. The respondents, without considering the contents of the representation dated 03.05.2012, has issued the impugned endorsement. Hence, this petition.

3. The respondents filed a statement of objections contending that, the respondents have considered the representation dated 03.05.2012 and issued the impugned



endorsement. The impugned endorsement issued by the respondents-Corporation is in accordance with law. Hence, pray to dismiss the writ petition.

4. Heard the arguments of learned counsel for the petitioner and learned counsel for the respondents.

5. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that, this Court has directed the respondents to re-consider the representation dated 03.05.2012 and pass appropriate order. He submits that, the respondents-Corporation, without considering the representation in a proper manner, has issued the impugned endorsement. The impugned endorsement issued by the respondents-Corporation is cryptic and without application of mind. Hence, on these grounds, he prays to allow the writ petition.

6. Learned counsel for the respondents fairly concedes that, the respondents will re-consider the representation dated 03.05.2012 submitted by the



petitioner and pass appropriate order in accordance with law.

7. Perused the records and considered the submissions of the learned counsel for the parties.

8. It is an undisputed fact that, the petitioner has submitted a representation to the respondents for sanction of annual increment regularly in the month of January. The respondents issued an endorsement dated 10/13.07.2012 rejecting the representation of the petitioner and postponed the increment to the August. The petitioner approached this Court in WP No. 29069 of 2014. This Court, vide order dated 29.03.2021, disposed of the writ petition by quashing the endorsement dated 10/13.07.2012 and directed the respondents to reconsider the representation of the petitioner dated 03.05.2012 within 8 weeks from the date of receipt of the said order. Pursuant to the said order, the respondents



have issued the impugned endorsement dated 04.08.2021 vide Annexure-M.

9. From the perusal of the impugned endorsement, the respondents have not assigned any reasons for rejecting the representation of the petitioner and also did not consider the findings recorded by this Court in the earlier petition in WP No. 29069 of 2014.

10. Learned counsel for the respondents submitted that the respondents will re-consider the representation of the petitioner and pass appropriate order in-detail in accordance with law.

11. In view of the submission made by learned counsel for the respondents, I proceed to pass the following:

ORDER

- i. The writ petition is ***allowed***;



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- ii. The impugned endorsement dated 04.08.2021 issued by the respondents vide Annexure-M is hereby ***quashed***;
- iii. The respondents are directed to re-consider the representation dated 03.05.2012 submitted by the petitioner and pass appropriate order in accordance with law within a period of one month from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order;
- iv. Pending IA(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

**Sd/-
(ASHOK S.KINAGI)
JUDGE**

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