

Vidya Amin

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION No. 982 OF 2015

Sanket Rajendra Nandanwar, minor
through father and natural guardian

Rajendra R. Nandanwar

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Petitioner

vs.

State of Maharashtra, through its
Secretary & Ors.

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Respondents

Mr. R.K. Mendadkar, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Vikas Mali, AGP for the respondents/State.

**CORAM : SMT. VASANTI A. NAIK &
C.V. BHADANG, JJ.**

DATE : 6th February, 2015.

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Not on board, taken on board at the request of learned counsel for the petitioner.

Rule. Rule made returnable forthwith. The petition is heard finally, as a notice of final disposal was issued to the respondents and the respondents are duly served.

By this Petition, the petitioner seeks a direction to the respondent/Committee to decide the caste claim of the petitioner as early as possible. The petitioner also seeks protection of his education till his caste claim is decided.

Mr. Mali, the learned Assistant Government Pleader for the respondent/Scrutiny Committee states that the caste claim of the petitioner is pending before the Scrutiny Committee and the same would be decided as early as possible.

In view of the statement made by the learned Assistant Government Pleader, we partly allow the Writ Petition. The Scrutiny Committee is directed to decide the caste claim of the petitioner as early as possible and positively within a period of six months from the date of the appearance of the petitioner before the Scrutiny Committee. The petitioner undertakes to appear before the Scrutiny Committee on 23rd February, 2015, so that the notice to the petitioner would be dispensed with.

Since the petitioner is not at fault in not producing the caste validity certificate, the education of the petitioner is protected till the caste claim is decided. The respondents should declare the result of the petitioner.

Rule is made absolute in the aforesaid terms, with no order as to costs.

(C.V. BHADANG, J.)

(VASANTI A. NAIK, J.)