

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY  
BENCH AT AURANGABAD**

**WRIT PETITION NO. 10288 OF 2017**

Govind S/o Gangadhar Pallewad,  
Age : 35 Years, Occu. : Service,  
R/o Mandala, Tq. Umri,  
Dist. Nanded .. Petitioner

**Versus**

1. Scheduled Tribe Certificate Scrutiny  
Committee, Aurangabad through  
its Member Secretary.
2. Sub Divisional Officer,  
Dharmabad, Tq. Dharmabad,  
Dist. Nanded.
3. Maharashtra State Electricity  
Distribution Company Ltd.,  
through its Executive Engineer,  
Nilanga, Tq. Nilanga, Dist. Latur. .. Respondents

**WITH  
WRIT PETITION NO. 10285 OF 2017**

Shivshankar Sambhaji Kolamwad,  
Age : 14 Years, Occu. : Education,  
Through guardian i. e. Father  
Sambhaji Maroti Kolamwad,  
Age : 43 Years, Occu. : Service,  
R/o Bahaddarpura, Tq. Kandhar,  
Dist. Nanded .. Petitioner

**Versus**

1. Scheduled Tribe Certificate Scrutiny Committee, Aurangabad through its Member Secretary.
2. Sub Divisional Officer, Kandhar, Tq. Kandhar, Dist. Nanded.
3. Shree Chhatrapati Shahu Maharaj, Sainiki Vidyalaya School Udgir, Tq. Udgir, Dist. Latur, Through its Head Master. .. Respondents

**WITH  
WRIT PETITION NO. 10290 OF 2017**

Dnyaneshwar Nagorao Baste,  
Age : 23 Years, Occu. : Service,  
R/o Ghungrala, Tq. Naigaon,  
Dist. Nanded .. Petitioner

**Versus**

1. Scheduled Tribe Certificate Scrutiny Committee, Aurangabad through its Member Secretary.
2. Sub Divisional Officer, Biloli, Dist. Nanded.
3. Shri Sant Bhagwanbaba Higher Secondary School, Bagpipalgaon, Tq. Georai, Dist. Beed, Through its Head Master .. Respondents

**WITH  
WRIT PETITION NO. 10291 OF 2017**

Maroti Peeraji Koneri,  
Age : 45 Years, Occu. : Service,  
R/o Lohgaon, Tq. Biloli,  
Dist. Nanded

.. Petitioner

**Versus**

1. Scheduled Tribe Certificate Scrutiny  
Committee, Aurangabad through  
its Member Secretary.
  2. Sub Divisional Officer,  
Biloli, Dist. Nanded.
  3. Education Officer (Primary),  
Zilla Parishad, Osmanabad,  
Dist. Osmanabad.
- .. Respondents

**WITH  
WRIT PETITION NO. 10292 OF 2017**

Akash S/o Suresh Bonlawar,  
Age : 21 Years, Occu. : Education,  
R/o Degloor, Tq. Degloor,  
Dist. Nanded

.. Petitioner

**Versus**

1. Scheduled Tribe Certificate Scrutiny  
Committee, Aurangabad through  
its Member Secretary.
2. Sub Divisional Officer,  
Degloor, Tq. Degloor,  
Dist. Nanded.
3. Sinhgad College of Engineering  
Pune - 411 041

Through its Registrar

.. Respondents

**WITH  
WRIT PETITION NO. 10293 OF 2017**

Saikiran S/o Ramrao Totawar,  
Age : 19 Years, Occu. : Education,  
R/o Degloor, Tq. Degloor,  
Dist. Nanded

.. Petitioner

**Versus**

1. Scheduled Tribe Certificate Scrutiny  
Committee, Aurangabad through  
its Member Secretary.

2. Sub Divisional Officer,  
Degloor, Tq. Degloor,  
Dist. Nanded.

3. Walchand College of Engineering  
Sangli,  
Through its Director.

.. Respondents

**WITH  
WRIT PETITION NO. 10294 OF 2017**

Akash S/o Ramesh Shivram,  
Age : 21 Years, Occu. : Education,  
R/o Markendy Mandir, Nanded,  
Tq. & Dist. Nanded.

.. Petitioner

**Versus**

1. Scheduled Tribe Certificate Scrutiny  
Committee, Aurangabad through  
its Member Secretary.

2. Sub Divisional Officer,  
Nanded, Tq. & Dist. Nanded.
3. Gramin Polytechnic College,  
Vishnupuri, Nanded 431 606  
Through its Principal. .. Respondents

**WITH  
WRIT PETITION NO. 10297 OF 2017**

Vilas S/o Kashinath Landge,  
Age : 47 Years, Occu. : Service,  
R/o Shirad Shahapur, Tq. Aundha,  
Dist. Hingoli. .. Petitioner

**Versus**

1. Scheduled Tribe Certificate Scrutiny  
Committee, Aurangabad through  
its Member Secretary.
2. Sub Divisional Officer,  
Basmath, Tq. Basmath,  
Dist. Hingoli.
3. Zilla Parishad Hingoli,  
Dist. Hingoli,  
Through its Chief Executive Officer. .. Respondents

Shri Sagar S. Phatale, Advocate for Petitioners in all matters.  
Shri S. B. Yawalkar, Addl.G.P. for Respondent Nos. 1 and 2 in all  
matters.  
The Respondent No. 3 served in all matters.

**CORAM : S. V. GANGAPURWALA AND  
SMT. VIBHA KANKANWADI, JJ.  
DATE : 03RD NOVEMBER, 2017.**

**ORAL JUDGMENT (Per S. V. Gangapurwala, J.) :-**

. Heard.

2 Rule. With the consent of the parties, petitions are taken up for final decision at admission stage.

3 The petitioners are taking exception to the decision rendered by the scrutiny committee, directing invalidation of the tribe certificates issued to, certifying that they belong to Mannervarlu or Koli Mahadev, scheduled tribe, on technical ground of occurrence of spelling mistake, or discrepancies in writing the nomenclature of the tribe in the certificate issued by the concerned Sub divisional Officer.

4 The issue raised in these petitions is no more res-integra and is covered by the decision rendered in Writ Petition No. 6263 of 2017 and other companion matters. For the reasons recorded in the Judgment referred to above, the instant petitions also deserve to be allowed and the same are accordingly allowed.

5 The orders impugned in the instant petitions stand quashed and set aside. The Scrutiny Committee is directed to return the original tribe certificates produced by the petitioners before it, within four weeks from today. The petitioners shall tender an undertaking to the Scrutiny Committee that, the

concerned petitioners would approach the concerned competent issuing authority for ratifying the spelling mistakes/discrepancies in recording the nomenclature of the tribe and shall produce the corrected certificates within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of the original certificates. The petitioners shall approach the concerned Sub divisional Officer for recording corrections in the tribe certificates already issued to them. The concerned Sub Divisional Officer shall issue corrected certificates within a period of four weeks from the date of approach of the individual petitioners, without embarking upon any further enquiry in the matter. On receipt of corrected certificates, same shall be produced before the Scrutiny Committee, within a period of four weeks from the date of its receipt. The Scrutiny Committee shall, thereafter proceed to decide the claims of the petitioners for validation of the tribe certificates and render decision on the proposals, within a period of one year from the date of receipt of the corrected certificates together with proposals if any. It would be open for the petitioners to tender the corrected certificates and the proposal directly to the Scrutiny Committee and the Scrutiny Committee shall entertain the same and shall proceed to decide the matters on its own merit and shall not reject it on any technical grounds.

Rule is made absolute in the above terms.

There shall be no order as to costs.

In the meanwhile, no coercive action be taken against the

petitioners, merely on the ground of invalidation of the tribe certificates on technical grounds.

**Sd/-**

**[SMT. VIBHA KANKANWADI,J.]**

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**[S. V. GANGAPURWALA, J.]**

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