

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

WRIT PETITION NO. 14665 OF 2017

Sunil Babarao Ambedwar and others .. Petitioners

Versus

The State of Maharashtra and others .. Respondents

Shri Anand V. Indrale Patil, Advocate for Petitioners.

Shri P. G. Borade, A.G.P. for Respondent Nos. 1 to 4.

**CORAM : S. V. GANGAPURWALA AND
V. L. ACHLIYA, JJ.**

DATE : 20TH DECEMBER, 2017.

ORDER :

. The learned advocate for petitioners seeks leave to delete the respondent No. 5. Leave granted at the risk of petitioners.

2. The learned Assistant Government Pleader accepts notice for respondent Nos. 1 to 4.

3. The petitioners are the members of the non-teaching staff of primary and secondary Ashram schools run by Social Welfare Department for V.J. & N.T. Category. They are claiming benefits of A.C.P.S. Scheme.

4. The issue involved in the present Petition is no longer *res-integra*, as has been decided in various writ petitions such as

Writ Petition No.3861/2014 with connected Writ Petitions on 25/4/2014; Writ Petition No.7256/2011 with connected Writ Petitions decided on 2/12/2013. In light of above, we pass following order :

I] The respondents are directed to examine the cases of each of the individual petitioner for deciding whether they satisfy the criteria laid down for claiming benefits under the ACPS to the private aided Government Schools under the Government Resolution dated 30th April 1998, as modified from time to time, and if it is found that the petitioners are entitled to claim benefits under the Scheme, and they satisfy the eligibility criteria, the respondents shall extend the benefits to the petitioners. The respondents shall scrutinize the cases of individual petitioners within a period of six months, and extend the benefits to such of the petitioners who are found eligible, as expeditiously as possible preferably, within a period of four months from such scrutiny.

5. The writ petition stands disposed of in above terms. No costs.

[V. L. ACHLIYA, J.]

[S. V. GANGAPURWALA, J.]