

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

80 WRIT PETITION NO. 7398 OF 2018

VITTHAL NABAJI GHAYAL AND OTHERS
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA AND OTHERS

Advocate for Petitioners : Mr. Murge Estling S
AGP for Respondent no.1 : Mr. A.V.Deshmukh
Advocate for Respondents 2 and 3 : Mr. P P Dama

**CORAM : S.V.GANGAPURWALA
AND
SUNIL K.KOTWAL, JJ.**

DATE : JULY 31, 2018

O R D E R :

1. The petitioners claim to be District Awardee Teachers and seeks benefit of one additional increment in tune with the Circular dated 12th December, 2000.

2. The petitioners rely on the Judgment of Division Bench at Nagpur in Writ Petition No. 625 of 2016, dated 17 November, 2017 and the Judgment and Order dated 5th April, 2018 in Writ Petition No. 8165 of 2017. It has been held that the benefit of additional increment to the District Awardee Teachers was not taken away.

3. Respondent Nos. 2 and 3 after confirming that the petitioners are the District Awardee Teachers, shall consider the claim of the petitioners for grant of additional increments as per Circular dated 12th December, 2000 and the Judgments of this court at Nagpur dated 5th April, 2018 in Writ Petition No. 8165 of 2017 and Writ Petition No. 625 of 2016, dated 17th November, 2017. The said decision be taken expeditiously and preferably within four (4) months. In case the petitioners are found eligible as directed above, then the monetary benefits shall be granted with effect from June 2015. The arrears shall be released expeditiously and preferably within a period of six (6) months.

4. Writ Petition accordingly stands disposed of. No costs.

[SUNIL K.KOTWAL, J.]

[S.V.GANGAPURWALA, J.]

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