

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

APPELLATE SIDE CIVIL JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO. 1939 OF 2018

Ghanshyam Narayan Thakur ... Petitioner

Versus

State of Maharashtra and Ors. ... Respondents

Mr.C.K. Bhangoji a/w Mr. Tanaji Jadhav i/by Mr. R.K Mendadkar
for the petitioner.

Mr. C.P. Yadav, AGP for respondent nos. 1 and 2 State.

Mr. C.M. Lokesh i/by Mr. G.S. Hegde for respondent no. 3.

CORAM : SHANTANU KEMKAR &

M.S. KARNIK, JJ.

DATE : APRIL 19, 2018

P.C.:

Parties through their counsel.

2. According to learned counsel for the petitioner, his caste validity claim is pending before respondent no. 2 since 21.4.2012 and as such he is not in a position to produce the caste validity certificate. However, in the absence of it, the third respondent is likely to terminate the services of the petitioner.

3. Having considered the submissions made by the learned counsel for the parties, we dispose of this petition by directing the

Caste Scrutiny Committee to decide the petitioner's caste validity claim as expeditiously as possible but in any case not later than 31.12.2018.

4. Petitioner to appear before the Cate Scrutiny Committee on 26.4.2018 at 11.00 a.m.

5. Till the petitioner's caste validity claim is decided, the third respondent shall not take any coercive steps for terminating the petitioner's services on the ground of non-submission of the caste validity certificate.

6. With the aforesaid directions, petition is disposed of.

7. Parties to act on authenticated copy of this order.

(M.S. KARNIK, J.)

(SHANTANU KEMKAR, J.)