

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

905 WRIT PETITION NO.2225 OF 2019

BANDU JAMMAN CHAVAN AND OTHERS
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA AND OTHERS

AND

920 WRIT PETITION NO.4448 OF 2019

GOKUL JEEVRAM BAVISKAR AND OTHERS
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA AND OTHERS

AND

968 WRIT PETITION NO.6288 OF 2019

BHUSHAN DILIP SALUNKE AND OTHERS
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA AND OTHERS

AND

969 WRIT PETITION NO.6289 OF 2019

SHRIRAM MANOHAR SALGAR AND OTHERS
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA AND OTHERS

AND

1146 WRIT PETITION NO.6478 OF 2019

SANJAY RAVJI SONMAKAR AND OTHERS
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA AND OTHERS

AND

99 WRIT PETITION NO.2244 OF 2019

GHANSHAM ATMARAM PAWAR AND OTHERS
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA AND OTHERS

AND

102 WRIT PETITION NO.4074 OF 2019
LALCHAND BHIVSAN PATIL AND OTHERS
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA AND OTHERS

AND

103 WRIT PETITION NO.4100 OF 2019
NANDKISHOR PARASRAM CHAVAN
VERSUS
THE STATE OF MAHARASHTRA AND OTHERS

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**CORAM : S.V. GANGAPURWALA AND
MANGESH S. PATIL, JJ.**

DATE : 6th June, 2019

PER COURT :-

1. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioners and the respective AGPs and the Government Pleader.
2. The grievance of the petitioner is that the benefit of time bound promotion, higher pay scale of ACPS is not given to the non-teaching staff (Class III, Class IV) of Ashram Schools run by the Tribal Development Department and Social Welfare Department.

3. The issue is no longer *res-integra*, in view of the catena of judgments of this Court, reference can be had to the judgment of this Court in Writ Petition No.4202 of 2012 with connected matters decided on 21.01.2014 and Writ Petition No.5191 of 2018 with connected Writ Petition dated 06.06.2018 be follow same course.

“4. In light of the above, we pass the following order :

(I) We declare that the benefit of ACPS, which is applicable to the employees of Group C and D non-teaching staff of the aided Private Schools in the State under the Govt. Resolution dated 30th April, 1998 as modified from time to time shall be available to the non-teaching staff of the same category in the private aided Ashram Schools;

(II) The appropriate authority appointed by the State Govt. shall examine the individual cases of the petitioners for deciding whether they satisfy the criteria laid down for availability of the benefit of ACPS to the private aided Govt. schools under the Govt. Resolution dated 30th April, 1998 as modified from time to time;

(III) We make it clear that the petitioners will be entitled to the benefit of the said scheme, provided they satisfy the eligibility criteria which is prescribed for the corresponding nonteaching staff of the private aided schools;

(IV) We grant time of six months to the respondents to scrutinize the cases of the members of the petitioners

and to consider whether they are eligible for the benefit of ACPS;

(V) To those petitioners who are found eligible, the benefit shall be extended, as expeditiously as possible;

(VI) The Writ Petitions are disposed of. No costs."

4. Writ Petitions accordingly disposed of. No costs.

(MANGESH S. PATIL, J.)

(S.V. GANGAPURWALA, J.)

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