

**HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE ABHINAND KUMAR SHAVILI**

**W.P.Nos.24652 & 37380 OF 2018**

**COMMON ORDER**

Since the issue involved in both the writ petitions is one and the same, they are being disposed of by this common order.

The grievance of the petitioners is that though they are seniors in the cadre of Village Revenue Assistants and fully eligible and qualified to be promoted to the posts of Village Revenue Officers, the respondents are not considering their cases for promotion to the posts of Village Revenue Officers as per the seniority list finalized in the cadre of Village Revenue Assistants.

Learned counsel appearing for the petitioners submits that when the respondents prepared the seniority list, they are bound to effect promotions to the posts of Village Revenue Officers and that appropriate orders be passed directing the respondents to consider the cases of the petitioners for promotion to the posts of Village Revenue Officers strictly in accordance with their seniority and eligibility.

Learned Government Pleader appearing for the respondents contends that promotions to the posts of Village Revenue Officers have already been effected and that the cases of the eligible candidates in the cadre of Village

Revenue Assistants would be reviewed in the seniority list prepared by the respondents and appropriate orders would be passed.

Having considered the rival submissions made by the learned counsel on either side, this Court is of the view that ends of justice would be met if a direction is given to the respondents to consider the cases of the petitioners for promotion to the posts of Village Revenue Officers.

Accordingly, the Writ Petitions are disposed of directing the respondents to consider the cases of the petitioners for promotion to the posts of Village Revenue Officers by reviewing the promotions already effected, strictly in terms of the seniority list and pass appropriate orders within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. It is needless to state that if the petitioners come within the zone of consideration, their cases shall be considered. No costs.

Miscellaneous petitions, if any, pending shall stand closed.

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JUSTICE ABHINAND KUMAR SHAVILI

*4<sup>th</sup> February, 2019*  
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