

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
NAGPUR BENCH, NAGPUR.

WRIT PETITION NO. 5670 OF 2019

PETITIONERS :-

1. Narendra Onkarrao Bhandarkar, aged 56 years, occ.Asst.Teacher, R/o Vikas Colony, Wadjjaon Road, Dist.Yavatmal.
2. Prakash Amruta Khandare, aged 50 years, Occup.Asst. Teacher, R/o Narayan Wadi, Pusad, Tq.Pusad dist. Yavatmal.
3. Madhao Bisanrao Jadhao, aged 55 years, Occ.Asst. Teacher, R/o House No.92, Ravi Nagar, Shyam Society, Dist.Yavatmal.
4. Sau.Seema Satish Papalkar, aged 54 years, occu. Asst.Teacher, R/o Jain Mandir Road, Darwha, Dist.Yavatmal.
5. Shashikumar Tukaram Bhangale, aged 63 years, occup.Retired, R/o Flat No.402, Near Dattakrushnai Mangal Karyalaya, Pune, (Maharashtra).
6. Mohan Vithalrao Andraskar, aged 53 years, Occup.Asst.Teacher, R/o At Post Bhari, Tq. Yavatmal, Dist.Yavatmal.
7. Sadhana Jaywantrao Chaudhari, aged 58 years, Occu. Ex.Officer, R/o Neharu Nagar, Ghatanji, Dist.Yavatmal.
8. Haribhau Pralhad Kumbhare, aged 54 years, Occ. Head Master, R/o. At Post Jawalgaon Tq.Ner, Dist. Yavatmal.

9. Chhaya Bharat Bansod, aged 53 years, Occ.Kendra Pramukh, R/o Baba Saheb Colony, Ghatanji, Dist.Yavatmal.
10. Maya Vikas Borkar, aged 59 years, occ. Retired, R/o Behind Nandurkar College, Vaishali Nagar, Yavatmal.
11. Akram Khan Ahmed Sayyed Khan, aged 60 years, Occ.Retired, R/o At Post Morathe, Tq. Mahagaon, Dist.Yavatmal.
12. Sarika Avinash Gaikwad, aged 42 years, Occ.G.Teacher, R/o Vivekanand Colony, Sut Girni Road, Pusad Dist.Yavatmal.

...VERSUS...

RESPONDENTS :-

1. State of Maharashtra through its Secretary, Rural Development and Water Conservation Department, Mantralaya 1 Mumbai-32.
2. State of Maharashtra through its Secretary, School Education and Sports Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai-32
3. Divisional Commissioner, Amravati, Division, Amravati Tq. And Dist. Amravati.
4. Zilla Parishad, Yavatmal through its Chief Executive Officer, Yavatmal, Tq. And Dist.Yavatmal.
5. Education Officer (Primary), Zilla Parishad, Yavatmal, Tq. And Dist.Yavatmal.

Mr.A.R.Deshpande, counsel for petitioners.
Mrs. Ketki Joshi, GP for respondent Nos.1 to 3.
None for respondent Nos.4 and 5.

**CORAM : SUNIL B.SHUKRE &
ANIL L. PANSARE, JJ.**

DATE : 02.12.2021.

ORAL JUDGMENT (Per: Sunil B.Shukre, J.)

Heard.

2. **Rule.** Rule made returnable forthwith. Heard finally by consent of the learned counsel appearing for the parties. Though respondent Nos.4 and 5 are served, none appears on their behalf.

3. It is not in dispute that the issue involved in this petition pertains to the petitioners being District Awardee Teachers have received the award of excellence for their work in their respective districts and so are entitled to benefits flowing from such conferment of the award on them, going by the view taken

by this Court in the case of *Sanjay Ramkrushan Waghmare and others v. State of Maharashtra and others*, decided by common judgment rendered on 14th February, 2019 in *Writ Petition No.5419 of 2018 and others*. We therefore, allow the petition and issue the following directions.

4. The respondent-Zilla Parishad after satisfying themselves about the petitioners being District Awardee Teachers having been awarded certificates prior to 4th September, 2018 shall individually consider the case of the petitioners for additional increment as is laid down under the Government Resolution dated 12th December, 2000. The same shall be considered on merits of each individual case by considering the judgments rendered in all the applicable cases as expeditiously as possible and preferably within a period of six months.

5. Rule is made absolute in the above terms. No costs.

(ANIL L. PANSARE, J)

(SUNIL B. SHUKRE, J)