

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

WRIT PETITION NO. 7663 OF 2019

PETITIONERS :-

1. Durgadas Narsingh Dorkhande, aged about 62 years, Occup. Retired, R/o Madhav Nagar, Patanbori, Tq.Kelapur, Dist.Yavatmal.
2. Ghanshauam Tanbaji Patil, aged about 55 years, Occup.Service, R/o Ravi Nagar, Ward No.2, Wani, Tq. Wani, Dist.Yavatmal
3. Vijay Narayanrao Lanapur, Aged about 55 years, Occup.Service, R/o At Post Viddal, Tq. Umarched, Dist.Yavatmal.
4. Kisan Narayanrao Chaudhari, Aged about 53 years, Occup.Service, R/o Shakti Nagar, Ward No.3, Ralegaon, Dist.Yavatmal.
5. Sushma Rameshrao Borkar, Aged about 48 years, Occup.Service, R/o Borkar Nivas, Indira Chowk, Babhulgaon, Dist Yavatmal.
6. Vanita Wamanrao Hendre, Aged about 49 years, Occu.Service, R/o At Post Dhanora, Tq. Umarched, Dist.Yavatmal.
7. Dnyaneshwar Tatobaji Bhagat, Aged about 49 years, Occu.Service, R/o Plot No.43, Siddheshwar Nagar, Lohara, Yavatmal, Dist. Yavatmal.
8. Jayshri Ashokrao Bhurke, aged about-61

years, Occ. Retired, R/o. Sandip Mangalam, Near Panjabrao Deshmukh School, Gadge Nagar, Yavatmal, Dist. Yavatmal.

9. Premsing Kisanrao Rathod, aged about 55 years, Occ.Service, R/o Shanti Bhavan, Green Park, Arni, Tq. Arni, Dist.Yavatmal.

10.Satishchandra Shriniwas Bobade, Aged about 74 years, occ. Retired, R/o C/o. J.N.Nichat, Laxmi Nagar, Near Nagar Parishad School No.7, At Post Digras, Tq. Digras, Dist. Yavatmal.

11.Kashinath Vithoba Muneshwar, Aged about 73 years, Occ.Retired, R/o At Post Shankar Nagar, Pusad, Tq. Pusad, Dist.Yavatmal.

12.Panjabrao Bhimrao Suroshe, aged about 57 years, Occ.Service, R/o at New Pusad, Khoshatwar Ward, Pusad, Tq. Pusad, Dist.Yavatmal.

13.Ramesh Pundlik Kale, Aged about 60 years, Occu. Retired, R/o Chalis Quarter Road, C/o. Dr.Sachin Kale, Near Pundlik Maharaj Vidyalaya,Guddhi, Akola, Tq. and Dist. Akola.

14.Usha Vishvamber Hinganekar, Aged about 61 years, Occu. Retired, R/o Rajani Apartment, Flat No.9, Shastri Nagar, Behind Akashvani, Akola, Tq. And Dist. Akola.

15.Mohammad Usman Mohammad Ismail,

aged about 69 years, Occu. Retired, R/o Duplex No.2, Moht Mill Road, Musa Colony, Akola, Tq. And District Akola.

...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.
6. Education Officer (Secondary), Zilla Parishad Yavatmal, Tq.and Dist. Yavatmal.
7. Zilla Parishad, Akola through its Chief Executive Officer, Akola, Tq.and Dist. Akola.
8. Education Officer (Primary), Zilla Parishad, Akola, Tq. And Dist.Akola.

Mr.A.R.Deshpande, counsel for petitioners.
Mrs. Ketki Joshi, GP for respondent Nos.1 to 3 and 6.
None for respondent Nos.4, 5, 7 & 8.

**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, 5, 7 and 8 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)