

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

WRIT PETITION NO. 3165/2021

1. Shivshankar Narayan Ghatе,
Age: 34, Occup: Driver,
R/o: Malegaon, Tq: Nandura, Distt: Buldana.
2. Sandip Dyandeo Satav,
Age: 34, Occup: Driver,
R/o: Jawala Palaskhed, Tq: Shegaon, Dist: Buldana.
3. Bhaskar Shriram Dange,
Age: 37, Occup: Driver,
R/o: Sonala, Tq: Sangrampur, Dist: Buldana.
4. M.Bakarzafar Shekh Asgar,
Age: 46, Occup: Driver,
R/o: Amdapur, Tq: Chikhali, Dist:Buldana.
5. Gajanan Dhansing Pawar,
Age: 45, Occup: Driver,
R/o Dhongarkhandala, Tq.Buldana, Dist: Buldana.
6. Amol Gulabrao Solanke,
Age: 30, Occup: Driver,
R/o Bothakaji, Tq. Khamgaon, Dist-Buldana.

PETITIONERS

.....VERSUS.....

1. The State of Maharashtra, Through its Secretary,
Department of Public Health Officer,
10 Floor, Complex Building premises of
JT Hospital, Mumbai.
2. The State of Maharashtra,
Department of Rural Development, Through its
Secretary, and Water Conservation Mantralaya,
Mumbai.
3. Director of Health Services,
Director of Health Services, Mumbai.
4. The Divisional Commissioner,
Amravati Division, Amravati.
5. The Chief Executive Officer,
Zilla Parishad, Buldana.

RESPONDENTS

WITH

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Santosh Sitaram Shanke,
Age: 51, Occup: Driver,
R/o Shegaon, Tq. Shegaon, Dist-Buldana.

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RESPONDENTS

WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 3167/2021

1. Manohar Hanif Ghatte,
Age: 41, Occup: Driver,
R/o: Saykhed, Tq: Sangrampur, Distt: Buldana.
2. Asaram Sakharan Mundhe,
Age: 39, Occup: Driver,
R/o: Sawargaon, Tq: Lonar, Dist: Buldana.

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Director of Health Services, Mumbai.
4. The Divisional Commissioner,
Amravati Division, Amravati.

5. The Chief Executive Officer,
Zilla Parishad, Buldana.

RESPONDENTS

WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 3495/2021

1. Pratapsingh Mohan Chavan,
Age: 43, Occup: Driver,
R/o: Hanwatkhed Waghala, Tq: Sindkhedraja,
Distt: Buldana.
2. Dipak Rambhau Khond,
Age: 34, Occup: Driver,
R/o: Jawala Palaskhed, Tq: Shegaon, Dist: Buldana.
3. Sachin Chandrabhan Tayade,
Age: 39, Occup: Driver,
R/o: Sangrampur, Tq: Sangrampur, Dist: Buldana.
4. Kadusing Shaligram Jadhav,
Age: 48, Occup: Driver,
R/o: Takarkhed, Tq: Nandura, Dist: Buldana.
5. Nilesh Shivaji Galne,
Age: 34, Occup: Driver,
R/o Khandwa, Tq. Motala, Dist: Buldana.
6. Rajendra Gajanan Murhe,
Age: 27, Occup: Driver,
R/o Atali, Tq. Khamgaon, Dist: Buldana.

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RESPONDENTS

Shri P.A. Kulkarni, counsel for the petitioners.
Ms H.N. Jaipurkar, Assistant Government Pleader for the respondent-State.
Mrs. Vaishali Khadekar, counsel for the respondent no.5.

CORAM : A. S. CHANDURKAR AND SMT. M.S. JAWALKAR, JJ.

DATE : 13TH APRIL, 2022.

ORAL JUDGMENT (PER : A.S. CHANDURKAR, J.)

RULE. Rule made returnable forthwith and heard the learned counsel for the parties.

2. The petitioners seek similar relief being Ambulance Drivers as has been granted in Writ Petition No.2247 of 2014 decided on 20.11.2019. The learned counsel for the parties agree that the directions issued in that writ petition have attained finality on account of dismissal of the Special Leave Petition preferred by the concerned Zilla Parishad as well as the State Government.

3. Hence, for reasons assigned in Writ Petition No.2247 of 2014, the present petitioners are granted similar relief. It is accordingly directed that the petitioners be paid wages at the minimum of the pay-scale (at the lowest grade, in the regular pay-scale) extended to regular employees holding the same post with effect from the date of the petition. All arrears be calculated accordingly and paid by the respondent no.5 to the petitioners within a period of six months from the date of the order.

4. Rule is made absolute in aforesaid terms. No costs.

(SMT. M.S. JAWALKAR, J.)

(A.S. CHANDURKAR, J.)

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