

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

WRIT PETITION NO. 2977 OF 2021

Atul s/o Ambadas Bhagwat,
 Aged almost 53 years,
 Occupation-Service,
 R/o. H/11/27-28, Maharashtra
 Housing Board Colony,
 Yerwada Pune-6.

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Petitioner

.. Versus ..

1. The Schedule Tribe Caste Certificate
 Scrutiny Committee, through its
 Member Secretary and Deputy
 Director, Sanna Building, Opp.
 Govt. Rest House, Camp,
 Amravati-444 601.
2. The Principal,
 of B.K.P.S. College of
 Architecture, 2043, Sadashiv
 Peth, Tilak Road,
 Pune-411 030.

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Respondents

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Ms. Rashi Nagrare, Advocate with Shri Ashwin Deshpande, Advocate
 for the petitioner,
 Ms N.P. Mehta, AGP for respondent no.1,
 None for respondent no.2 though served.

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CORAM : A.S. CHANDURKAR AND SMT. M.S. JAWALKAR, JJ.
DATED : 01.03.2022.

JUDGMENT (Per : A.S. Chandurkar, J.)

Rule. Rule made returnable forthwith. Heard finally with the consent of the learned counsel for the parties.

2. The only direction sought by the petitioner is for expeditious decision of the proceedings for verification of the petitioner's caste claim. The petitioner claims to belong to 'Halbi Scheduled Tribe'. His caste certificate has been submitted to the Scrutiny Committee for verification. It is informed that the report of the Vigilance Cell has been duly served on the petitioner on 11.11.2020. However, the proceedings have not been decided till today.

3. Considering the aforesaid, the writ petition is disposed of by directing the Scrutiny Committee to decide the verification proceedings of the petitioner's tribe certificate on its own merit within a period of two months from the date of production of this order. The decision taken be communicated to the petitioner accordingly. All points on merit are kept open.

4. Writ Petition is disposed of in aforesaid terms. No costs.

[SMT. M.S. JAWALKAR, J.]

[A.S. CHANDURKAR, J.]