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IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA

WRIT PETITION NO.149 OF 2023

SHRIKANT S. NAIK AND 8 ORS.

... Petitioners

Versus

STATE OF GOA, THR.

CHIEF SECRETARY AND 2 ORS.

... Respondents

Mr Siddharth Malik, Advocate *for the Petitioners*.

Mr D. Pangam, Advocate General with Mr S.P. Munj, Additional Government Advocate *for the Respondent-State*.

WITH

WRIT PETITION NO.1067 OF 2022 (F)

RAJENDRA SADGURU

PARAB AND 10 ORS.

... Petitioners

Versus

STATE OF GOA THR.

CHIEF SECRETARY AND 3 ORS.

... Respondents

Mr Siddharth Malik, Advocate *for the Petitioners*.

Mr D. Pangam, Advocate General with Mr Geetesh Shetye, Additional Government Advocate *for the Respondent-State*.

WITH

WRIT PETITION NO.1788 OF 2022 (F)

MEENA U.S. BHENDE AND 3 ORS.

... Petitioners

Versus

THE STATE OF GOA THR.

ITS CHIEF SECRETARY AND 2 ORS.

... Respondents

Mr Siddharth Malik, Advocate *for the Petitioners*.

Mr D. Pangam, Advocate General with Mr Tukaram Gawas,
Additional Government Advocate *for the Respondent-State*.

**CORAM: M.S. SONAK &
VALMIKI SA MENEZES, JJ.**

DATED: 28th March, 2023

P.C.:

1. Heard Mr Malik for the Petitioners, learned Advocate General who appears along with Mr S.P. Munj, Additional Government Advocate in Writ Petition No.149/2023, with Mr Geetesh Shetye, Additional Government Advocate in Writ Petition No.1067/2022 (F) and with Mr Tukaram Gawas, Additional Government Advocate in Writ Petition No.1788/2022 (F) for the Respondents.
2. The issues raised in these petitions are covered, inter alia, by our order in Writ Petition No.605/2022 decided on 14.03.2023.
3. Accordingly, by adopting the reasoning in the said order, we allow these petitions and direct that the Petitioners should be granted the benefit in terms of the law laid down whilst disposing Writ Petition No.668/2014. The learned Advocate General states that such benefits could be granted to the Petitioners as expeditiously as possible and in any case within four months from today.
4. The petitions are disposed of without any order for costs.
5. All concerned to act based on an authenticated copy of this order.

VALMIKI SA MENEZES, J.

M.S. SONAK, J.