

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

(I) WRIT PETITION NO.2965 OF 2019

Gajanan s/o Sahebrao Gathe,
aged : 57 years, occupation :
Bus Conductor, r/o Khetan Nagar,
Kaulkheda, Tahsil and District Akola.

... Petitioner

- Versus -

1) Divisional Controller, Maharashtra
State Road Transport Corporation,
Division Office, at Kaulkheda,
Tahsil and District Akola.

2) The Scheduled Tribe Certificate
Scrutiny Committee, Amravati
Division, Amravati, through its
Deputy Director and Member
Secretary, Ervin Square, at
Amravati, District Amravati.

... Respondents

Shri C.V. Jagdale, Advocate for petitioner.

Shri P.S. Gawai, Advocate for respondent no.1.

Smt. S.S. Jachak, Assistant Government Pleader for respondent no.2.

(II) WRIT PETITION NO.4243 OF 2019

Sharad Bhaskarrao Wardekar,
aged about 57 years, occupation :
Service, r/o Bhartipura,
Karanja (Lad), Taluq Karanja (Lad),
District Washim.

... Petitioner

- Versus -

- 1) Divisional Controller, Maharashtra
State Road Transport Corporation,
Akola.
- 2) Manager, Karanja Depot of Maharashtra
State Road Transport Corporation,
Karanja (Lad), District Washim.
- 3) Deputy Chairman, Scheduled Tribe
Caste Scrutiny Committee,
Amravati Division, Amravati.

... Respondents

Shri R.S. Kurekar, Advocate for petitioner.

Shri P.S. Gawai, Advocate for respondent nos.1 and 2.

Smt. S.S. Jachak, Assistant Government Pleader for respondent no.3.

CORAM : A.S. CHANDURKAR AND
MRS.VRUSHALI V. JOSHI, JJ.

DATED : JANUARY 9, 2023

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

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

2) The petitioners are in the employment with the
Maharashtra State Road Transport Corporation. During the course of
employment, their caste claims were referred to the Scrutiny

Committee for verification. Since their caste claims were pending and there was a threat to their continuation in employment, they had approached this Court by filing these writ petitions. During pendency of the writ petitions, both the petitioners have superannuated.

3) In these facts, interest of justice would be served by directing the Scrutiny Committee to decide the caste claims of the petitioners within a period of nine months from the date of petitioners' appearance before the Scrutiny Committee. Both the petitioners shall appear before the Scrutiny Committee at Amravati on 24/1/2023. With these directions, the writ petitions are disposed of. Rule accordingly. No costs.

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