

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO. 8232 OF 2023
WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION NO. 8485 OF 2024

Dr. Hemant Vasaikar ...Petitioner
Versus
The State of Maharashtra and Ors. ...Respondents

WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 1346 OF 2023
Dr. Dnyanraj Marutirao Patil ...Petitioner
Versus
The State of Maharashtra and Ors. ...Respondents

WITH
WRIT PETITION NO. 1643 OF 2024
WITH
INTERIM APPLICATION(ST) NO. 14123 OF 2024

Prashant Vasantrao Kasambe ...Petitioner
Versus
The State of Maharashtra and Ors. ...Respondents

Mr. Yoshodeep Deshmukh i/b Vinod Sangvikar for the Petitioner.
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Nos. 4 and 5.

CORAM : NITIN JAMDAR AND
M.M. SATHAYE, JJ.
DATE : 31 JULY 2024

P.C. :

. Having heard the learned counsel for the parties, we find that the dispute is between the Petitioners who are members of the teaching staff of Respondent No.5, an unaided Educational Institution. It is not a dispute before us that the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016 is applicable under which a Grievance Committee is constituted and also a Tribunal thereof. Since the Petitioners have efficacious alternate remedy and the complete statutory scheme for redressal of grievance, we are not inclined to entertain the petitions.

2. To enable the Petitioners to approach the Grievance Committee, the position under order dated 30 March 2023 that no recovery be initiated against the Petitioners, shall continue for a period of 6 weeks. However, further continuation, if any, will be on its merits before the Grievance Committee. The Grievance Committee shall take the issue regarding continuation or otherwise of the protection before the expiry of 6 weeks, if the Petitioners approaches the Grievance Committee within a period of one week.

3. Keeping all contentions open, the Writ Petitions are disposed of. Pending Interim Applications are also disposed of.

(M.M. SATHAYE, J.)

(NITIN JAMDAR, J.)