

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO. 2073 OF 2024

Ramrao Atmaram Bachhav and Others ... Petitioners

versus

Education Officer, Secondary

Zilla Parishad, Nashik and Others ... Respondents

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Mr.Yatin Malvankar for the Petitioners.

Mr. S.B. Kalel, AGP for the Respondent -State.

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**CORAM : NITIN JAMDAR, AND
M.M. SATHAYE, JJ.**

DATE : 1 April 2024.

P.C. :

The Petitioners have raised an objection as to the seniority list maintained by the Respondent -Management. It is their grievance that the Education Officer, who is permitted to decide this dispute under Rule 12 of the Maharashtra Employees of Private Schools (Conditions of Service) Rules, 1981 (the MEPS Rules, 1981), is not deciding the same and in fact has communicated to the Respondent -Management that he would not look into the same.

2. Under Rule 12 of the MEPS Rules, 1981, the Education Officer performs quasi judicial function and the petition challenging to the order passed by the Education Officer will pertain to the

learned Single Judge. Therefore, challenge to stand of the Education Officer that he will not pass any order would also pertain to the learned Single Judge. Registry and the Petitioners to take appropriate steps.

(M.M. SATHAYE, J.)

(NITIN JAMDAR, J.)