

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIRCUIT BENCH AT KOLHAPUR
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION NO. 12159 OF 2024

Prashant Ananda Patil.

...Petitioner.

Versus

The State of Maharashtra and Others.

...Respondents.

Mr. Datta Pawar for the Petitioner.

Mr. M. V. Mali, AGP for the Respondent-State.

**Coram : M. S. Karnik &
Sharmila U. Deshmukh, JJ.**

Date : September 4, 2025.

P. C. :

1. Heard learned Counsel for the Petitioner at some length.
2. The ground on which the proposal is rejected by the impugned order dated 7th December 2023 is that the Petitioner's appointment is not through Pavitra Portal. The Petitioner participated in selection process and got selected as Shikshan Sevak on 15th August 2023. The Petitioner joined the services as Shikshan Sevak with effect from 1st October 2023. On 1st October 2023, the Respondent Nos.4 and 5 (Management) submitted proposal to the Respondent No.3, for grant of approval to the Petitioner's appointment as Shikshan Sevak. The Respondent No.3 rejected the proposal on 7th December 2023. The only ground for rejection is that appointment of the Petitioner was not

through Pavitra Portal.

3. In ***Kalyansing Indrasingh Rajput v. The State of Maharashtra*** [WP No.10205 of 2024 decided on 23rd April 2025], this Court has observed that from 2017 onward until June 2024 and might be even thereafter Pavitra Portal was not functional. The only ground for not granting of approval to the appointment of the Petitioner, as can be seen from the impugned order is that the appointment of the Petitioner is not through Pavitra portal.

4. Though learned AGP made an attempt to contend that there are several other deficiencies in the proposal, we find from what has been stated in the impugned order is that Petitioner's appointment was not through Pavitra Portal. In this view of the matter, we have no hesitation in allowing the present petition for the same reasons as contained in the decision in ***Kalyansing Indrasingh Rajput v. The State of Maharashtra*** (supra). Hence, Petition is allowed in following terms :

- (a) The impugned order dated 7th December 2023 is quashed and set aside.
- (b) The appointment of Petitioner in the post of Shikshan Sevak with effect from 1st October 2023 be approved.
- (c) Further, the Respondent is directed to enter the name of Petitioner in Shalarth Pranali and issue Shalarth Identity Number and to pay regular salary and all other consequential benefits to the Petitioner from the date of appointment.

[Sharmila U. Deshmukh, J.]

[M. S. Karnik, J.]