IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
BENCH AT AURANGABAD

85 WRIT PETITION NO. 1407 OF 2025

Smita Ramalu Lakhmawad

….Petitioner

VERSUS

The State Of Maharashtra Through Its Principal Secretary And Others

…..Respondents

Mr. V. S. Panpatte, Advocate for the Petitioner
Mr. V. M. Kagne, AGP for the Respondent-State
Mr. V. g. Kodale, Advocate for the Respondent No. 5

CORAM : NITIN B. SURYAWANSHI &
ABASAHEB D. SHINDE, J. J.

DATE : 06th OCTOBER, 2026

PER COURT :

1. This Petition is filed for following reliefs:

"B. By a writ of mandamus or any other appropriate writ or direction in the like nature, the Respondent No.2-Deputy Director of Education may kindly be directed to include the name of Petitioner in Shalarth Pranali forthwith and further the Respondent No.3 and 4 be directed to release the arrears of salary of the Petitioner within a period of four weeks of the Petitioner from the date of her appointment till today.

C. By a writ of mandamus or any other appropriate writ or direction in the like nature, the Respondent Nos. 3 and 4 may kindly be directed to accept the salary bills under the signature of the Respondent No. 5 and sanctioned and release the same within a period of four weeks.

> *D. By a writ of mandamus or any other appropriate writ or direction in the like nature, the Respondent No. 5 may kindly be directed to forward salary bills of the Petitioner from the date of her initial appointment and further the Respondent Nos. 3 and 4 may kindly be directed to release the arrears of salary of the Petitioner within stipulated period."*

2. The Petitioner is appointed as 'Shikshan Sevak' on 25-07-2011. Her services are approved from the date of her appointment. By relying on various decisions rendered by Co-ordinate benches of this court, annexed at Annexure-N, Petitioner prays for allowing the Petition.

3. Issue raised in this Petition and the prayers made herein are squarely covered by the orders passed by this Court in the case of ***Mahesh Pralhad Hawa Vs The State of Maharashtra and others in WP/13020/2023,*** as well as the order passed at Principal Seat in the Cases of ***Aparna Vikas Thakur and Another Vs The State of Maharashtra and Others in WP/3141/2021 and Vandana Govind Kale Vs the State of Maharashtra through its Secretary in WP/7745/2021***, copies of which are placed on record.

4. Admittedly, the proposal for payment of arrears of salary of Petitioner is pending for orders. Respondent No. 3 is, therefore, directed to forward the said proposal to Respondent No. 2 and

Respondent No. 2 shall decide the said proposal within four weeks from the date of receipt of copy of this order in the light of decisions rendered by this court referred to hereinabove.

5. The Writ Petition is disposed of with above directions.

[ABASAHEB D. SHINDE, J.] [NITIN B. SURYAWANSHI, J.]

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