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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE OF BOMBAY
BENCH AT AURANGABAD

134 WRIT PETITION NO. 14709 OF 2026

Anil Waman Salunke And Another
VERSUS
The State Of Maharashtra And Others
...
Ms. Megha Y. Mali, Advocate for the Petitioners
Ms. Neha B. Kamble, AGP for the Respondent – State
.....

135 WRIT PETITION NO. 14712 OF 2026

Shital Santosh Patil Alias Shital Amardeep Desale And Others
VERSUS
The State Of Maharashtra And Another
...
Ms. Megha Y. Mali, Advocate for the Petitioners
Mrs. Saie S. Joshi, AGP for the Respondent – State
Mr. P. S. Patil, Advocate for Respondents No.5 to 7
.....

136 WRIT PETITION NO. 14726 OF 2026

Subhash Sham Patil And Another
VERSUS
The State Of Maharashtra And Another
...
Ms. Megha Y. Mali, Advocate for the Petitioners
Mr. M. K. Goyanka, AGP for the Respondent – State
.....

137 WRIT PETITION NO. 14869 OF 2026

Geeta Pralhad Mali Alias Geeta Rahul Mahajan And Others
VERSUS
The State Of Maharashtra And Another
...
Mr. Amol S. Mali, Advocate for the Petitioners
Mr. S. R. Wakle, AGP for the Respondent – State
.....

138 WRIT PETITION NO. 15144 OF 2026

Shaikh Abdul Rashid Abdul Raheman And Others
VERSUS
The State Of Maharashtra And Another
...
Ms. Megha Y. Mali, Advocate for the Petitioners
Mr. N. D. Batule, AGP for the Respondent – State
.....

139 WRIT PETITION NO. 15145 OF 2026

Dhanraj Nana Deore And Others
VERSUS
The State Of Maharashtra And Another
...
Ms. Megha Y. Mali, Advocate for the Petitioners
Ms. Neha B. Kamble, AGP for the Respondent – State
.....

140 WRIT PETITION NO. 15148 OF 2026

Shuaib Ahmed Shaikh Rahim Khatik And Others
VERSUS
The State Of Maharashtra And Another
...
Ms. Megha Y. Mali, Advocate for the Petitioners
Mrs. Saie S. Joshi, AGP for the Respondent – State
Mr. P. S. Patil, Advocate for Respondents No.5 to 7
.....

141 WRIT PETITION NO. 15151 OF 2026

Bharat Balkrushna Kanawade
VERSUS
The State Of Maharashtra And Another
...
Mr. Ajay T. Kanawade, Advocate for the Petitioner
Mr. M. K. Goyanka, AGP for the Respondent – State
.....

142 WRIT PETITION NO. 15195 OF 2026

Satish Brijlal Kuwar
VERSUS

The State Of Maharashtra And Another
...
Ms. Megha Y. Mali, Advocate for the Petitioners
Mr. S. R. Wakle, AGP for the Respondent – State
.....

143 WRIT PETITION NO. 15213 OF 2026

Vinay Arunlal Mantreshwar
VERSUS
The State Of Maharashtra And Others
...
Ms. Megha Y. Mali, Advocate for the Petitioner
Mr. N. D. Batule, AGP for the Respondent – State
.....

WRIT PETITION NO. 14488 OF 2026

Kalpesh Anil Salunke and Others
VERSUS
The State Of Maharashtra And Others
...
Ms. Megha Y. Mali, Advocate for the Petitioner
Mr. V. M. Kagne, AGP for the Respondent – State
.....

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

DATE : 26th OCTOBER, 2026

ORDER :

1. Admittedly, the issue raised in these Petitions is squarely covered by the decisions rendered by the Co-ordinate Bench of this Court in Writ Petition No. 248 of 2026 and connected matters, dated 20th April, 2026 and dated 4th December, 2024 in Writ Petition No. 13241 of 2024.

2. For the reasons stated in the said orders, the Writ Petitions

stand allowed in the following terms:

I. Respondent / Education Officer (Primary and Secondary), Zilla Parishad, shall scrutinize the records of these Petitioners and the places at which they are deployed for performing their duties, within a period of 30 days from today, considering the Government Resolution dated 29.02.2024.

II. The cases which have no legal impediment after verification, shall be cleared by the concerned Respondents and the salary benefits to which the Petitioners are entitled to, in the light of the one step pay scale made available to the employees working in the Tribal and PESA areas, shall be paid to them along with arrears as well as their current salary, within a period of 30 days, thereafter.

III. After scrutiny, if the Petitioners, on the basis of their record, are found to be ineligible, the concerned Respondent would issue notice to the Petitioners, so as to enable them to appear before the said authority and address it.

IV. After such hearing, which shall be completed within

120 days, the concerned Respondent shall pass an appropriate order and grant benefits of one step pay scale to those candidates, who are found to be eligible.

V. The Petitioners, who may suffer an adverse order after the above stated exercise is completed, shall be at liberty to avail of a statutory remedy, as is permissible in law and in the light of the Government Resolution dated 29.02.2024 issued by the General Administration Department.

[ABASAHEB D. SHINDE]
JUDGE

[NITIN B. SURYAWANSHI]
JUDGE

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