



IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
NAGPUR BENCH, NAGPUR.

WRIT PETITION NO. 5297 OF 2025

Dr. Prashant Baba Lihitkar
Vs.
State of Maharashtra, Thr. its Secretary and Ors.

Office Notes, Office Memoranda of Coram,
appearances, Court's orders of directions
and Registrar's Orders.

Court's or Judge's orders.

Mr. P. M. Pande, Advocate for the Petitioner.
Mr. J.Y. Ghurde, AGP, for the Respondent-State.

CORAM : ANIL S. KILOR AND RAJ D. WAKODE, JJ.
DATE : 29th APRIL, 2026.

1. Heard.
2. The contention is that the petitioner is entitled to the benefit of the Career Advancement Scheme as provided under Government Resolution dated 06.02.2006. However, the respondents have not granted such benefit to the petitioner on the ground that the past continuous approved service rendered by the petitioner from 19.07.2011 to 30.06.2020 was in Marathwada Mitra Mandal Institute of Technology, Lohagao, Pune and from 01.07.2020 to 15.02.2023 was in Marathwada Mitra Mandal College of Engineering, Pune, which are private aided college.
3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner had preferred an application dated 06.01.2025 seeking grant of the benefit of the Career Advancement Scheme.

The said application is at record page No.33 (Annexure-P-11). However, respondent No.5 – Sant Gadgebaba Amravati University, Amravati has not decided the said application of the petitioner.

4. In view of the above, the petitioner has approached this Court.

5. Considering the grievance raised by the petitioner, we dispose of the present writ petition with a direction to respondent Nos.3 and 4 to process the claim of the petitioner for grant of the benefit of the Career Advancement Scheme in accordance with Government Resolutions dated 06.02.2006 and 11.02.1994, as well as the UGC Notification dated 30.06.2010.

6. The aforesaid respondents are further directed to consider the judgments of this Court rendered in Writ Petition No.6280/2016 and Writ Petition No.2664/2021. The aforesaid respondents shall take a decision on the aforesaid application dated 06.01.2025 submitted by the petitioner within a period of eight weeks from the date of production of this order.

7. The decision so taken shall be communicated to the petitioner within a period of two weeks from the date of such decision.

8. The writ petition is accordingly disposed of. No costs.

(RAJ D. WAKODE, J.)

(ANIL S. KILOR, J.)