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THE GAUHATI HIGH COURT
(HIGH COURT OF ASSAM, NAGALAND, MIZORAM AND ARUNACHAL PRADESH)

Case No. : WP(C) 1386/2018

1:RAKESH RANJAN JHA
S/O. SRI FIRAN JHA, R/O. HOUSE NO. 61, S C BYE LANE, ATHGAON,
GUWAHATI-781001, DIST. KAMRUP (M)

VERSUS

1:THE UNION OF INDIA AND 4 ORS.
REP. BY THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVT. OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF
COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, DEPTT. OF POSTS,
DAK BHAWAN, SANSAD MARG, NEW DELHI-110001

2:INDIA POST PAYMENTS BANK LIMITED
REP. BY ITS MANAGING DIRECTOR AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
HAVING ITS REGISTERED OFFICE AT POST OFFICE
SPEED POST CENTRE BUILDING
MARKET ROAD
NEW DELHI-110011

3:THE MANAGING DIRECTOR AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
INDIA POST PAYMENTS BANK LIMITED
POST OFFICE
SPEED POST CENTRE BUILDING
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4:ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER
INDIA POST PAYMENT BANK
GPO
MEGDHOOT BHAWAN
PANBAZAR
GUWAHATI-1
ASAM.

5:THE SELECTION COMMITTEE FOR THE POST OF SCALE II AND SCALE

III OFFICERS
OF INDIA POST PAYMENTS BANK LIMITED
REP. BY ITS MANAGING DIRECTOR AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Advocate for the Petitioner : MR. U K NAIR

Advocate for the Respondent : ASSTT.S.G.I.

BEFORE

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HRISHIKESH ROY

14.03.2018

The recruitment process for different vacancies in the newly created *India Post Payment Bank Ltd.*, a Central Govt. undertaking, was initiated with the online advertisement (Annexure-1) and the petitioner applied for the 350 vacancies of Senior Manager (Branch) in the MMGS-III grade. The applicant participated in the written test held in December 2016, but was not called for the viva-voce segment of the recruitment process. Accordingly the aggrieved candidate applied under the *Right to Information Act* for the *cut off mark* as well as his own marks, in the written test.

2. Mr. U.K. Nair, the learned Sr. counsel refers to the RTI reply dated 13.12.2017 (page-92) to project that the petitioner had scored higher than the *cut off mark*, as can be seen from the following information:-

“Reply:1 & 2. The cut off marks for written/online exam is General:- (a) Reasoning-6.75, (b) English-10.25, (c) General Awareness-10.75, (d) Quantitative Aptitude-7;

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4. The marks of the applicant in written exam is (a) Reasoning-10, (b) English-23.75, (c) General Awareness-28, (d) Quantitative Aptitude-21.75.”

3. With the above projection, the petitioner questions the basis on which he was considered to be unqualified (page-96), for the interview segment of the recruitment test.

4. In view of above, let Notice returnable in 4(four) weeks be issued. Mr. S.S. Roy, the learned Central Govt. counsel, accepts notice for respondent No.1. Extra copies be furnished to him.

5. The petitioner to ensure service on respondent Nos.2—5 by registered post.

6. In the interim, one post of Senior Manager (Branch) in the MMGS-III grade, be kept vacant to protect the interest of the aggrieved candidate.

Sd/-
JUDGE

Comparing Assistant