

IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD
R/SPECIAL CIVIL APPLICATION NO. 2278 of 2026

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PRAMIN SIVANANDAN
Versus
STATE OF GUJARAT & ORS.

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Appearance:
MR HB SINGH(2073) for the Petitioner(s) No. 1
DEVANSHI PATEL AGP for the Respondent(s) No. 1,2,3,4

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CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE NIRZAR S. DESAI

Date : 10/04/2026

ORAL ORDER

The draft amendment filed by the learned advocate for the petitioner, is taken on record and granted. To be carried out forthwith.

1. Heard learned advocate Mr. H. B. Singh for the petitioners. He submits that without there being any allegation of fraud or misrepresentation on the part of the petitioners, the higher pay scale granted to them has been withdrawn vide impugned orders dated 18.10.2025 and 28.10.2025, which is contrary to the settled proposition of law. The petitioners further apprehend recovery pursuant to the said orders. Therefore, he contends that, in view of the decision of the *Hon'ble Supreme Court in State of Punjab & Ors. vs. Rafiq Masih (White Washer), reported in (2015) 4 SCC 334*, such recovery deserves to be stayed.

2. In view of the above submission, **Issue Notice**, returnable on 17.08.2026. Learned AGP waives service of notice for Respondents.

In the meantime, there shall be ad-interim in terms of Para 7-D.

BHAVIN MEHTA

(NIRZAR S. DESAI,J)