

IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD**R/SPECIAL CIVIL APPLICATION NO. 3347 of 2021**

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TUSHAR KAPILRAI BHATT**Versus****SARDAR PATEL INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
(SPIPA)**

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Appearance:**MR MANOJ S JOSHI(2961) for the Petitioner(s) No. 1****MR YH VYAS(1001) for the Petitioner(s) No. 1****MR AAKASH GUPTA ASSISTANT GOVERNMENT PLEADER for the
Respondent(s) No. 1**

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CORAM:HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE NIRZAR S. DESAI**Date : 20/01/2026****ORAL ORDER**

1. In view of the fact that today it is brought to the notice of this Court by learned Advocate Mr. Aadesara, along with learned Advocate Mr. Y. H. Vyas appearing for the petitioner, that on 20.12.2025, despite the relief operating in favour of the petitioner since 18.02.2021, the respondents have published a final seniority list in which the petitioner's seniority position is not reflected, as if the petitioner has not passed the examination. He therefore submits that he has no objection if the

said seniority list is operated. However, in that event, one promotional post may be kept vacant.

2. Accordingly, the respondents are directed, in view of the fact that the petition is of the year 2021 and no reply has been filed till date, and further considering that the petitioner is enjoying ad-interim relief, that if promotions are granted to others in the meantime, the petitioner may be deprived of promotion throughout his career, as apprehended by learned Advocate Mr. Adesara. The respondents are therefore directed to keep one promotional post vacant till the next date of hearing. Direct service is permitted.

3. Upon the request made by learned Assistant Government Pleader Mr. Aakash Gupta appearing for the respondent – State, list the matter on 12.02.2026.

(NIRZAR S. DESAI,J)

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