

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI
W.P.(S) No. 2886 of 2026

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1. Puran Ram, S/o Late Shri Yamuna Ram, aged about 59 Years, Resident of Pundag Road, Argora, P.O. – Doranda & P.S. - Argora, District - Ranchi, Jharkhand - 834002
 2. Sunil Kumar, S/o Saryug Kumar, Aged about 59 Years, Resident of Krishnapuri, Williams Town, P.O. & P.S. - Deoghar, District - Deoghar, Jharkhand – 814112
 3. Arun Kumar Akela, S/o Shri Samhut Singh, aged about 59 Years, Resident of Mahatma Gandhi Nagar, Bazar Samiti Road, P.O.& P.S. Buxar, District - Buxar, Bihar - 802103
 4. Bikrama Kumar, S/o Hari Ram, aged about 59 Year, Resident of near D.S.P. Road, Jawahar Nagar P.O. & P.S. - Gumla, District - Gumla, Jharkhand - 835207
 5. Ramakant Sant, S/o Late Sheonath Ram, aged about 59 Years, Resident of Village -Bhitti, P.O.- Bhitti, P.S. - Mohania, District - Kalmur (Bhabua), Bihar- 821109

.... **Petitioner(s)**

-VERSUS-

1. The State of Jharkhand.
2. Principal Secretary, Department of Scheduled Tribe, Scheduled Caste, Other Backward Classes and Minority Welfare Department, Project Building, P.O. & P.S. Dhurwa, District-Ranchi.

.....**Respondent (s)**

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CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK ROSHAN

For the Petitioner(s) : Mr. Sanjay Piprawall, Adv
 For the Respondent (s) : Mr. Mohan Kr. Dubey, A.C. to A.G

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1. Heard learned counsel for the parties.
2. The instant writ application has been preferred by the petitioner for the following reliefs.

i) ...For issuance of an appropriate writ(s)/order(s)/ direction(s) or a writ in nature of Mandamus commanding upon the Respondent Authorities to notify the decision/recommendation of Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) headed by the Respondent No. 2 for grant of promotion from the post of Assistant Teacher (Graduate Trained Teacher) to the post of Headmaster (Principal) from the due date of eligibility with all the consequential benefits in terms of Jharkhand State Welfare Department Residential School Teacher

(Appointment/Promotion and Service Condition) Rules, 2017, considering the fact that the meeting of Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) was held on 09.12.2024 and its recommendation has not yet been notified in spite of several representations given by the petitioners.

ii) *...For issuance of an appropriate writ(s)/order(s)/direction(s) or a writ in nature of Mandamus commanding upon the Respondents to bring on record the decision of Departmental Promotion Committee held on 09.12.2024 in which the name of all the Petitioners have been recommended for grant of promotion from the post of Assistant Teacher to the post of Headmaster (Principal).*

iii) *... For issuance of appropriate Writ(s) / Order(s) /Direction(s), particularly a Writ in the nature of Mandamus commanding upon the Respondent Authorities to expedite the process of promotion of the Petitioners who have already been considered for promotion in the meeting held on 09.12.2024 by the Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) and to notify the same without any undue delay.*

iv) *...Further be pleased to grant the promotion of Petitioners from the date of 09.12.2024 when the meeting of Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) was held but has kept on abeyance reasons best known to them which is arbitrary and illegal.*

v) *...The Petitioners consequently prays for allowing them the pay scale of the promoted post of Headmaster from the due date of eligibility and to release the same with entire consequential benefits of arrears of difference of pay in the post of Headmaster (Principal).*

3. During the course of argument, learned counsel for the petitioner confines his argument only to the extent that though a DPC was held with regard to promotion, in which the petitioners were also candidates; however, the result of DPC has not been communicated.

4. Accordingly, Ld. Counsel prays for issuance of a direction upon respondent no.2 to communicate the decision of the DPC, so that the respective petitioners would be in a position to know about the result of DPC.

5. Though, no counter-affidavit has been filed and a prayer has been sought for filing counter-affidavit, but the fact remains that a limited prayer has been made by the petitioners with regard to direction upon respondent no.2 to notify the decisions/recommendation of DPC dated

09.12.2024; in such circumstances, this Court is not inclined to adjourn the case on the ground of filing of counter-affidavit.

6. Having regard to the above, the respondent no.2 is directed to notify the decision/recommendation of DPC headed by him for grant of promotion from the post of Assistant Teacher (Graduate Trained Teacher) to the post of Headmaster (Principal) from the due date of eligibility.

The respondent No.2 is directed to verify the record and communicate the decision, whatsoever, to the respective petitioners within a period of 8 weeks from the date of receipt of copy of this order.

7. Accordingly, the instant writ application stands disposed of. Pending I.A., if any also stands disposed of.

(Deepak Roshan, J)

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