

**HIGH COURT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR AND LADAKH
AT JAMMU**

WP(C) No. 2354/2025

CM No. 5450/2025

Vishal Sharma

.....Appellant(s)/Petitioner(s)

Through: Mr. C.M. Koul, Sr. Advocate with
Mr. A.R. Bhat, Advocate.

Vs

Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine Board &Ors.

..... Respondent(s)

Through:

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE M A CHOWDHARY, JUDGE

ORDER
(01.09.2025)

Petitioner, through the medium of this petition, seeks quashment of the tentative seniority list of Junior Engineers (Civil), as it stood on 01.01.2023, to the extent it pertains to the petitioner and respondent Nos. 3 and 4, alleging that respondent Nos. 3 and 4 have been wrongly placed above the petitioner in order of seniority as Junior Engineers.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner, a degree holder and older in age than respondent Nos. 3 and 4, who are diploma holders simpliciter, should have been placed in the seniority list above respondent Nos. 3 and 4, instead of being placed below them.

Heard.

Issue notice to the respondents in the main petition as well as interim application, returnable within a period of four weeks, subject to the filing of requisites within one week.

List on **13.10.2025.**

Meanwhile, subject to objections and till next date of hearing before the Bench, it is provided that the impugned tentative seniority list shall not be operated, qua petitioner as well as respondent Nos. 3 &4, until further orders.

Modification/variation/ alteration on motion.

(M A CHOWDHARY)
JUDGE

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