





Judgment

## IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY NAGPUR BENCH, NAGPUR.

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## WRIT PETITION NO. 4840 OF 2018.

Pranjal d/o Shamrao Hanwate,
Aged about 17 yrs. Occupation - Student
through natural guardian Father
Shri Shamrao Ganpat Hanwate,
Aged about 47 years, Occupation – Labour,
resident of at Bhojward, Bhadrawati,
Chandrapur.

PETITIONER.

## **VERSUS**

1. The Vice-Chairman/Member Secretary, Scheduled Tribe Caste Certificate Scrutiny Committee, Gadchiroli.

2.The Principal, Government College of Engineering, Amravati.

3. The Vice-Chancellor/Registrar, Sant Gadge Baba University Amravati.

RESPONDENTS.

Ms. P. Rane, Advocate for the Petitioner. Ms. M.A. Barabde, AGP for Respondent Nos.1 and 2.

> CORAM : B.P. DHARMADHIKARI AND Z.A HAQ, JJ.

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DATE : AUGUST 03, 2018.

ORAL JUDGMENT: (PER B.P. DHARMADHIKARI, J).

Heard Ms. P. Rane, learned Counsel for the petitioner and Ms. M.A. Barabde, learned A.G.P. for respondent nos.1 and 2 - Committee and Government College. As the order of Scrutiny Committee dated 12.07.2018, is impugned in the present petition, service on respondent no.3, is dispensed with. With consent of the learned counsel appearing in the matter and considering the nature of controversy, Writ Petition is taken up for final disposal by issuing Rule, making the same returnable forthwith.

- 2. All documents looked into by the respondent Scrutiny Committee mentions caste as 'Mana'. There is not a single document in which some other caste has been mentioned. There is a validity issued to cousin brother of petitioner.
- 3. The order impugned therefore, proceeds only on the basis of an assumption and then applies affinity test.
- 4. Similar issues are looked into by this Court in a judgment reported at 2018 (2) Mh.L.J. 460 (Gajanan Pandurang Shende .vrs. Head Master, Govt. Asharm School, Dongargaon

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Salod and others).

5. In present matter the oldest document looked into is of

the year 1918-19. None of the documents are found to be

fabricated. We therefore, find the impugned order unsustainable.

It is accordingly quashed and set aside. Respondent no.1 Scrutiny

Committee is directed to immediately issue validity in favour of

petitioner.

6. Writ Petition is accordingly allowed. Rule is made

absolute in aforesaid terms, with no order as to costs.

<u>JUDGE</u> <u>JUDGE</u>

Rgd.