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Court : Jharkhand

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Appellant : Sunil Kumar Verma and ors

Respondent : Human Resource Development

Judgement :

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JHARKHAND AT RANCHI W.P.(S) No.3112 of 2013
with I.A. no.3348 o

1. Sunil Kr.Verma 2.Neel Kusum Toppo 3.Veena Lakra 4.Rajesh Kr.Sahu
5.Brajesh Kr.Pandey 6.Kripa Shankar Pandey 7.Subhash Kumar 8.Binay Kr.Jha
9.Rajesh Krishna 10.Bipin Bihari Jha 11.Biswajeet Adhikari . Petitioners Versus
State of Jharkhand & Ors. ...Respondents Coram : The Honble Mr. Justice
Narendra Nath Tiwari For the Petitioners : Mr. Atanu Banerjee, Advocate For the
Respondents : J.C. to S.C.III ----- 2/18.06.2013 In I.A. no.3348 of 2013, the
petitioners have prayed for disposal of W.P.(S) NO.3112 of 2013 in terms of the
order passed by this Court in W.P.(S) no.2194 of 2013{Ravindra Kumar Ojha &
Ors. Vrs. State of Jharkhand & Ors.}. Learned counsel, appearing on behalf of the
petitioner, submitted that the case is exactly identical with the case, which has
been decided in the aforesaid writ petition and the instant writ petition can be
disposed of in terms of the order passed by this Court in the aforesaid cases.
Learned J.C. to S.C.III, appearing on behalf of the respondents, has also accepted
the said position and submitted that the writ petition itself can be disposed of in
terms of the order passed by this Court in the aforesaid case. In the writ petition,

the petitioners have prayed for a direction on the respondents to grant Grade-I scale to them from the dates of their respective joining and all consequential benefits and also to give promotion from Grade-I to Grade-IV, V etc. The petitioners were appointed as untrained teachers by the Human Resources Development Department, Government of Bihar in accordance with its policy decision and resolution dated 5.3.1991. The Government of Bihar had framed the Rules known as the Bihar Primary School Teachers Rule, 1991 in exercise of its power under Article 309 of the Constitution of India. In the said rule, there was a provision for appointing the untrained teachers and after appointment, for sending such teachers for in-service Teachers .2. Training in the Government Colleges. The petitioners were untrained Graduate and were appointed in the year 1994 on the basis of the panel prepared after completion of all the legal formalities. The Director, Primary Education, Government of Bihar by Letter No. 998/95 dated 7.6.1995 had taken decision to grant Grade-I scale of the Matric Trained to the untrained teachers, who were Graduate. However, after appointment of teachers, they were not sent for training. The appointment procedure was challenged before the Patna High Court. The matter went up to the Honble Supreme Court in S.L.P (Civil) No. 23187/1996 (Ram Vinay Kumar & Ors. Vs. State of Bihar & Ors.) In the said S.L.P, the Supreme Court gave certain direction to the State of Bihar for sending the petitioners for in-service training. The Finance Department, Government of Jharkhand by letter No. 4568 dated 5.7.2002 granted Grade-I Matric Trained scale to such untrained teachers w.e.f 1.1.1996. It was also decided that the seniority position of the petitioners shall be maintained as per the merit list prepared at the time of their appointment. However, the petitioners have been stagnated in the same scale for more than 18 years without any upgradation in the scale. Although the persons appointed with the petitioners have been promoted from Grade-I scale to Grade-IV scale, the petitioners have not been given even Grade-II scale. The petitioners then filed representation through their Association, which was rejected by the Government of Jharkhand observing that the untrained teachers would not be entitled for promotion from Grade-I scale to higher scale and that they would be entitled to Grade-I scale only from the date of acquiring Teachers Training certificate. The petitioners are aggrieved by the said order. Against the said order, one Awadh Bihari Mishra & Ors. Vrs. State of

Jharkhand & Ors. had filed writ petition being W.P.(S) no.5465 of 2007. The said writ petition was allowed and the appeal being L.P.A. no.214 of 2008 against the said order was dismissed. The SLA being SLA(Civil) no.5520-5522 of 2013 was also dismissed by Hon'ble Supreme Court. The said legal position has not been disputed by learned counsel for the respondents. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and perused the decisions and directions given by this Court in the said cases. The instant case is squarely covered by the said decisions of this Court. In similar circumstances and on the similar facts, the case of Ravindra Kumar Ojha & Ors. Vrs. State of Jharkhand & Ors. was also decided in .3. W.P.(S) no.2194 of 2013. In view of the above, this writ petition as well as I.A. no.3348 of 2013 are disposed of in the light of the said decision in Awadh Bihari Mishra & Ors.(supra) and in Ravindra Kumar Ojha & Ors. (supra) holding that the petitioners are entitled to get Grade-I from the respective date of their joining and not from the date of completion of the Teachers Training and are entitled to get all consequential benefits accordingly. (Narendra Nath Tiwari, J.) s.b.

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