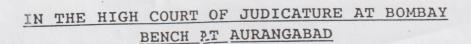
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WRIT PETITION NO. 9054 OF 2010

Association of College and University Superannuated Teachers (Maharashtra)

PETITIONER

VERSUS

The State of Maharashtra through its Secretary, Higher and Technical Education Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai and ors.

RESPONDENTS

AND

WRIT PETITION NO. 2868 OF 2011

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Association of College and University Superannuated Teachers (Maharashtra)

PETITIONER

VERSUS

The State of Maharashtra through its Secretary, Higher and Technical Education Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai and ors.

RESPONDENTS

Mr. S.V. Adwant, Advocate for the Petitioner.
Mr. K.S. Patil, A.G.P. for the Respondent-State.
Mr. Alok Sharma, Assistant Solicitor General for the respondent no.3-UGC.

CORAM : B.R. GAVAI AND

M.T. JOSHI, JJ.

DATED : 22 MD AUGUST, 2011

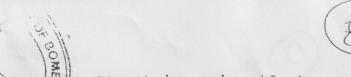
ORAL ORDER:

1. Rule. Rule made returnable forthwith.

Heard by consent.



- 2. By way of the present Petitions, the petitioners impugn the communication addressed by the respondent Government dated 10.3.2008 and 18.3.2010, thereby seeking to recover the amount of stagnation increment from the pension account of the members of the petitioner-association, whose names are given in the Exhibit "F".
- 3. The members of the petitioner-association were employees of colleges and universities. The respondent-State had given the benefits on account of stagnation of the services to the members of the petitioner-association vide Government resolution dated 25.1.1999. However, it appears that subsequently, it was realised by the State Government that the members of the petitioner-association were not entitled to stagnation allowance and as such the impugned communications were issued, thereby seeking to recover the amount from the pension account of the members of petitioner-association.
- 4. By now, it is a settled position of law that recovery from the salary/pension of an employee



cannot be made, if the amount in excess was paid to such an employee for the reasons not attributed to such an employee. It is not the case of the respondents that the stagnation amount was paid to the members of the petitioner-association on account of any mis-representation made by such members.

- In that view of the matter, in view of the law laid down by the Apex Court in Syed Abdul Qadir and ors. Vs. State of Bihar and ors. 2009 reported in (2009) 3 Supreme Court Cases 475, both the Petitions deserve to be allowed.
- and 18.3.2010 are therefore quashed and set aside. It is held that the respondents are not entitled to recover the amount from the pension of the petitioners. Insofar as the amount which is already recovered from the pension of the members of the petitioner-association, it is directed that such amount shall be returned to the employees from whom it is deducted within a period of three (3) months from today alongwith the interest at the rate of 12% per annum.



7. Rule is made absolute in the aforesaid terms, however, with no order as to costs.

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY, BENCH AT AURANGABAD

CONTEMPT PETITION NO.519 OF 2011 IN WRIT PETITION NO.2868 OF 2011

Association of College and University Superannuated Teachers (Maharashtra), Aurangabad through its President and Convenor

..Petitioner

Versus

The State of Maharashtra and ors.

..Respondents

Mr S.V.Adwant, Advocate for petitioner Mr V.H.Dighe, A.G.P.for respondent-State

CORAM : K.U. CHANDIWAL, J.

DATE: 21st December 2011

PER COURT

Learned Counsel to remove office objections within a week.

Thereafter issue notice to the respondents, returnable 3rd February 2012.

Learned Assistant Government Pleader waives notice for State.

(K.U. CHANDIWAL, J.)

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ITEM NO.9

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SECTION IX

SUPREME COURT OF INDIA RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Petition(s) for Special Leave to Appeal (Civil)...../2012 CC 8399-8400/2012

(From the judgement and No.9054/2010, WP No.2868/2011 No.9054/2010, WP No.2868/2011

order dated 22/08/2011 in of The HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY dated 22/08/2011 in

WP AT

AURANGABAD)

STATE OF MAHARASHTRA AND ORS

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

ASSN.OF COLEGE & UNIVERSITY SUP. TEACHERS

Respondent(s)

(With appln(s) for c/delay in filing SLP and office report)

Date: 09/05/2012 These Petitions were called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE H.L. DATTU HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE CHANDRAMAULI KR. PRASAD

For Petitioner(s)

Ms. Aparajita Singh, Adv. Ms. Asha Gopalan Nair, Adv.

For Respondent(s)

Mr. Chinmoy Khaladkar, Adv. Mr. Amol N. Suryawanshi, Adv.

UPON hearing counsel the Court made the following ORDER

Delay condoned.

Dismissed.

(NAVEEN KUMAR) COURT MASTER

(SHARDA KAPOOR) COURT MASTER