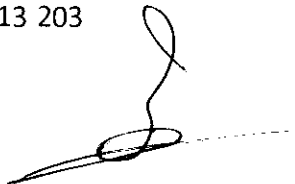


IN THE MAHARASHTRA ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL, MUMBAI

ORIGINAL APPLICATION NO.394 OF 2018 WITH M.A.NO.472 OF 2018 WITH
M.A.NO.586 OF 2018
(Subject : Selection)

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Dr. Jaishri Patil with Dr. Gunratan Sadavarte, the learned Advocates for the Respondents.

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CORAM : JUSTICE SHRI A.H. JOSHI, CHAIRMAN

RESERVED ON : 02.11.2018.

PRONOUNCED ON : 06.11.2018



J U D G M E N T

1. Heard respective Advocates.
2. This Tribunal had passed order on M.A.No.472/2018 and issued certain directions.
3. M.A.No.586/2018 is filed by the State for modification of order passed in M.A 472/2018. During hearing of M.A.No.586/2018, it had transpired that it would be convenient and expedient to hear the Original Application itself for final disposal, by continuing same process of hearing.
4. Parties were called to state whether they concede for hearing of present O.A by Chairman, sitting singly, in the background that only Administrative Member available at Mumbai, namely, Shri P.N Dixit, has recused.
5. All advocates appearing in this O.A., as well as learned Chief Presenting Officer agreed for final hearing of the O.A..
6. Original Application is taken up for hearing and heard all parties at length.
7. Brief background of Original Application is as follows:-
 - (a) Government decided to fill in large number of posts in the cadre of Police Sub-Inspectors.
 - (b) These vacancies were sought to be filled in from the category of "Limited Departmental Competitive Examination" (LDCE).
 - (c) Posts which were to be filled in are 828.
 - (d) 154 posts out of 828 posts were to be filled in by allotment of seats to various reserved categories as follows:-

SC	—	102
ST	-	40
SBC	-	12
8. The Maharashtra State Public Services Reservation for Schedules Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Denotified Tribes (Vimukta Jatis), Nomadic Tribes, Special Backward Category and other Backward Classes Act, 2001 was quashed and set aside by this Tribunal in T.A.No.1 of 2014 & T.A.No.2 of 2014, which judgment was carried by State Government, before Hon'ble High Court, in W.P.No.2797/2015. The judgment of this

Reservation for Schedules Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Denotified Tribes (Vimukta Jatis), Nomadic Tribes, Special Backward Category and other Backward Classes Act, 2001 to be unconstitutional and by partly quashing of G.R dated 25.5.2004, in so far it was issued without having at hand the quantifiable data.

9. During the pendency of this Original Application, the Hon'ble Supreme Court delivered judgment in reference in Jarnail Singh & Others Vs. Lachhmi Narain Gupta & Ors in Special Leave Petition (Civil) No.30621/2011. By said Judgment, Hon'ble Supreme Court has partly overruled the directions contained in the judgment in M. Nagaraj's case (2006) 8 SCC 212. Honourable Supreme Court has held to the effect that requirement of quantifiable data qua the SC & ST as necessitated in M. Nagaraj is contrary to the judgment by 9 Judges in Indra Sawhni, and Article 16(4A) and 16(4B) of the Constitution of India.

10. In the present Original Application, the prayers of the applicants are as follows:-

"10(a) This Hon'ble Court may be pleased to call for record and proceeding in the case of present applicant and this Hon'ble Tribunal may further be pleased to issue appropriate direction to the Respondent no. 1 to recruit /select the candidates on the basis of merit in view of judgment dated 4.8.2017 passed by the Hon'ble High Court in Civil Writ Petition No. 2797/2015, against composite number of the posts of 982.

(b) This Hon'ble Tribunal may further be pleased to direct the Respondent no. 1 to implement the guidelines/opinion given by Ld. Advocate General, State of Maharashtra dated 23.11.2017 thereby the corrective measures and steps adopted by the Respondent no. 1 in case of the candidate short listed on the basis of merit."

(Quoted from pages 39 & 40 of O.A No.394 of 2018)

11. Learned Advocate for the applicant has argued and emphasized following points to canvass the prayers:

- (a) Applicants belong to open competition category within Limited Departmental Competitive Examination (LDCE), and they possess marks above benchmark fixed by MPSC for selection to the post of PSI in LDCE for open merit competition therein.
- (b) In view of Order of High Court in State Vs. Vijay Ghogre, now state has to take corrective measures.
- (c) Government has already taken some corrective measure and has created 154 additional and supernumerary posts, and now 828+154 posts are available.



- (d) Alternatively corrective measure would mean reversion of 154 candidates selected to fill in reservation quota, unless Government agrees to send for training applicants and similarly situated candidates, in addition, as their position in merit is above bench mark fixed for open competition category, by employing modalities whatsoever.
 - (e) Directions of Honourable Supreme Court laid down in paragraph 21 of case of Jarnail Singh have to be read to mean that :-
 - (i) Requirement of collection of quantifiable data is not to be applied for collection of the proof of backwardness of SC and ST category candidates.
 - (ii) The need of data as to due and adequate representation of SC & ST classes still continues to be warranted.
 - (iii) Therefore the order of Hon'ble High Court in State Vs. Vijay Ghogre continues to rule and govern the field.
 - (f) Therefore, State Government can accommodate the candidates like applicants who have secured marks above the marks secured by 154 SC/ST candidates in addition to 828 + 154.
 - (g) The bar resultant upon the judgment in case of Hon'ble Supreme Court in Hoshiar Singh Vs. State of Haryana & Ors AIR 1993 S.C 2606 as well as Prem Singh & Ors Vs. Haryana State Electricity Board & Ors, JT 1996 (5) 219, will not hinder because of other judgments of Hon'ble Supreme Court, in view that the posts which may be eventually created in addition to notified vacancies related to LDEC i.e. in-service category posts, and all these who have appeared for examination may get an opportunity and no outsider will be denied opportunity/ affected.
12. During oral submission, learned C.P.O has urged as follows :-
- (a) Total 982 posts cannot be considered as basis.
 - (b) 154 open merit candidates are sent to occupy the vacancies which may have eventually occurred upon calling back 154 SC & ST category candidates, (who had later on been actually called back) for obeying the mandatory directions contained in the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court in W.P.No.2729/2015, dated 4.8.2017.
 - (c) If 154 candidates filled in from the reserved category are continued, even then the present applicants do not have a chance, because :
 - (i) 154 candidates selected in reserved category, do have lesser merit than the applicants, have walked ahead against seats which are reserved, and

- (ii) Since admittedly, 154 candidates who are selected from open category do have higher merit than the applicants.
- (d) Therefore, in either situation applicants are not entitled for relief whatsoever.
- (e) Applicants' claim is based on a plea which is hypothetical and does not have any weightage.
- (f) For the present there does not exist any policy to fill in more than 828 posts of PSIs from Limited Departmental Competitive Examination category.
13. Learned Advocate Dr. Jaishri Patil as well as learned Advocate Shri D.B Khaire, for private Respondents have argued as follows:-
- (a) It is true that S.L.P filed by the State against the judgment and order of Hon'ble High Court in W.P.2797/2015 (State of Maharashtra Vs. Vijay Ghogre & Ors), is pending, however the order passed in W.P.No.2797 of 2015 has been impliedly overruled due to the constitution bench judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Jarnail Singh & Ors Vs. Lachhmi Narain Gupta & Ors.
- (b) Hon'ble Supreme Court has held in Jarnail Singh's case (supra) to the effect that the requirement of quantifiable data held necessary in judgment in M. Nagaraj's case is contrary to 9 Judge judgment in Indra Sawhney's case 1992 SCC (L & S) Supp 1, and Article 16(4A) and 16(4B) of the Constitution of India.
- (c) The mandatory need of requirement of quantifiable data, is now not open to contend, it being overruled.
- (d) Now there is no hurdle whatsoever in appointing on probation 154 SC/ST candidates.
- (e) Plea of the State that due to pendency of present O.A. and due to interim order passed therein the Government is not able to appoint the respondents is erroneous, rather it is based on confusion which has occurred or is created by the administrative machinery.
- (f) The submissions advanced by the applicants are not even worth hypothesis.
- (g) Present O.A. has no merit and be dismissed.



14. In view of rival submissions, this Tribunal has to decide as to what is the jurisdictional question which would decide the fate of the applicants.

15. For the sake of convenience of adjudication, the questions which have emerged are framed as follows :-

- (i) What is the exact dictum of the judgment in Jarnail Singh & Others Vs. Lacchmi Narain Gupta & Others, S.L.PO (Civil) No.30621/2017?
- (ii) What is the effect of the said judgment on the fate of 154 candidates from reserved quota selected and sent for training of P.S.I's posts?

16. In order to address and decide on the aforesaid questions, this Tribunal has minutely perused the judgment of Their Lordships of Hon'ble Supreme Court in Jarnail Singh (supra).

17. On reading said judgment, it is seen that, their lordships have dealt with and discussed the scheme of Constitution of India qua reservations, discussed about the scheme of reservation as applied in State of Uttar Pradesh as seen in U.P Power Corporation's case etc. and recorded in para no. 19 of the judgment as follows: -

"19. ... Since the object of Article 16(4-A) and 16(4-B) is to do away with the nine-Judge Bench in Indra Sawhney's (1) (supra) when it came to reservation in promotions in favour of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, that object must be given effect to, and has been given effect by the judgment in Nagaraj (supra). This being the case, we cannot countenance an argument which would indirectly revisit the basis or foundation of the Constitutional amendments themselves, in order that one small part of Nagaraj (supra) be upheld, namely, that there be quantifiable data for judging backwardness of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes in promotional posts. We may hasten to add that Shri Dwivedi's argument cannot be confused with the concept of "creamy layer" which, as has been pointed out by us hereinabove, applies to persons within the Scheduled Castes or the Scheduled Tribes who no longer require reservation, as opposed to posts beyond the entry stage, which may be occupied by members of the Scheduled Castes or the Scheduled Tribes."

(Quoted from page 54 of judgment)

18. Their Lordships of Hon'ble Supreme Court, after negating the appellants' submission (in Jarnail Singh's case) considered the request of Learned Attorney General "to lay down that the proportion of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes to the population of India should be taken to be the test for determining whether they are adequately represented in promotional posts for the purpose of Article 16(4A) of the Constitution of India.

19. After considering the learned Attorney General's submissions and upon discussing the scheme of Article 330 of the Constitution of India and effect of Indra Sawhney's case, Their Lordships of Hon'ble Supreme Court in para 20 and 21 held and ordered as follows: -

"20..... It can be seen that when seats are to be reserved in the House of the People for the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, the test of proportionality to the population is mandated by the Constitution. The difference in language between this provision and Article 16(4-A) is important, and we decline the invitation of the learned Attorney General to say any more in this behalf.

21. Thus, we conclude that the judgment in Nagaraj (supra) does not need to be referred to a seven-Judge Bench. However, the conclusion in Nagaraj (supra) that the State has to collect quantifiable data showing backwardness of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes, being contrary to the nine-Judge Bench in Indra Sawhney (1) supra is held to be invalid to this extent."

(Quoted from page 57 & 58 of the Judgment in Jarnail Singh's)

20. The operative order of the judgment in Jarnail Singh's case namely, paragraph 21, at page 58, has to be read jointly with paragraphs 19 & 20 thereof. Paragraph 21 cannot be read in isolation to construe that though quantifiable data cannot be asked for assessment of backwardness, however it can be asked for extent of reservations to be provided.

21. In the result, the requirement of quantifiable data for either backwardness or adequate / fair representation of S.C & S.T. in the services which is mandated in the judgment of Hon'ble High Court of Bombay in W.P 2729/2015 stands completely overruled by necessary implication.

22. The uncertainty of the fate of 154 candidates may have existed until 26.9.2018, i.e. the date when the judgment of Hon'ble Supreme court in Jarnail Singh & Ors vs. Lachhmi Narain Gupta & Ors was pronounced. However no ambiguity is now, prevalent due to dictum of Hon'ble Supreme Court in Jarnail Singh's case.

23. In view of the finding recorded in foregoing paragraphs, which this Tribunal has arrived as regards questions framed in foregoing paragraph No.15, the fate of 154 candidates is no more hazy or in suspended animation, and is concretized. Now it is the turn of the State Government to abide by the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Jarnail Singh's case.



24. It shall be open to the applicants to make suitable representations to the Government if they are so advised, and in case any representation is made Government may consider in due course and on its own merit.

25. In the result, following order is passed : -

- (a) Original Application is dismissed.
- (b) Interim order passed by this Tribunal shall stand vacated by merger into final order.
- (c) Parties are directed to bear their own costs.

Sd/-

(A.H. Joshi, J.)
Chairman

Place : Mumbai

Date : 06.11.2018

Dictation taken by : A.K. Nair.

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	<p>Date : 06.11.2018.</p> <p>M.A.No.586 of 2018 with M.A.No.472 of 2018 in O.A.No.394 of 2018</p> <p>The State of Maharashtra & Ors. ...Applicants (Ors. Respondents).</p> <p>Versus S.B. Rathod & Ors.Respondents.(Org. Applicants)</p> <p>1. Heard Ms. S.P. Manchekar, the learned Chief Presenting Officer for the Applicants (Org. Respondents), Shri M. Bhandari, instructed by Shri K.R. Jagdale, the learned Advocate for the Respondents (Org. Applicants). Dr. Jaishri Patil, with Dr. Gunratan Sadavarte, the learned Advocates for Pvt. Respondents and Shri D.B. Khaire, the learned Advocate for Respondents No.69, 88 and 161 (M.A.No.586/2018).</p> <p>2. Shri M. Bhandari, instructed by Shri K.R. Jagdale, the learned Advocate for the Applicants, Ms. S.P. Manchekar, the learned Chief Presenting Officer for the Respondents Dr. Jaishri Patil with Dr. Gunratan Sadavarte, the learned Advocates for the Respondents and Shri D.B. Khaire, the Advocate for the Respondents No.69, 88 and 161 (M.A.No.472/2018).</p> <p>3. In view of the judgment and order passed in O.A.No.394/2018, M.A.586/2018 and M.A.472/2018 does not survive and is disposed.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sd/- (A.H. Joshi) Chairman</p> <p>prk</p>

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