

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WRIT PETITION (ST.) NO. 304 OF 2021

The Association of the Managements of Polytechnics and Ors. ... Petitioners

V/s.

Higher and Technical Education Deptt.
Through Additional Chief Secretary and Ors. ... Respondents

alongwith WRIT PETITION (St.) NO. 302 OF 2021

The Association of the Managements of Agriculture and Agri. Allied Colleges and Ors. ... Petitioners

V/s.

Higher and Technical Education Deptt.
Through Additional Chief Secretary and Ors.

... Respondents

alongwith WRIT PETITION (St.) NO. 1484 OF 2021

K.K. Wagh Education Society, Hirabai Haridas Vidya Nagari, Through Secretary Kallapa S. Bandi and Ors.

... Petitioners

V/s.

Higher and Technical Education Deptt. Through Additional Chief Secretary and Ors.

... Respondents



alongwith WRIT PETITION (St.) NO. 2504 OF 2021

Shri Sairaj Shikshan Pratishthan and Anr. ... Petitioners

V/s.

Higher and Technical Education Deptt. and Ors. ... Respondents

alongwith WRIT PETITION (St.) NO. 97149 OF 2020

The Association of the Managements of Un-aided Engineering Colleges and Ors. ... Petitioners

V/s.

Higher and Technical Education Deptt. Through
Additional Chief Secretary and Ors. ... Respondents

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CORAM: NITIN JAMDAR & C.V. BHADANG, JJ.

(Through Video Conferencing)

DATE: 10 JUNE 2021



P.C. :-

Heard the learned Counsel for the parties.

- 2. In these petitions the Petitioners seeking directions to the Respondents to pay the fees towards scholarship, freeship and reimbursement as claimed in each of these Petitions.
- 3. The learned AGP states that the State Government is not disputing the entitlement *per se* of the Petitioners, but according to the State Government, the amount claimed by each of the Petitioners is different to some extent as per the Government record. The learned AGP states that the amounts as what is payable as per the State Government has been disbursed on the portal and for balance amount, shortfall if any, certain compliances are required. According to the learned Counsel for the Petitioners, the amount claimed in the Petitions is the correct amount as due and payable to the Petitioners.
- 4. From the arguments advanced, it is clear that the issue relates to the calculations of the amounts. The differences can be minimized by holding a joint meeting between the parties.
- 5. For this purpose, the Respondent State will furnish to each of the Petitioners, the amounts according to the State Government payable, and the amount which is actually disbursed by the State Government, by way of an e-mail. The Petitioners will

also summarize their claims and submit the same to the office of the Government Pleader, who will in turn, forward the same to the concerned officers.

- 6. The hearing of the Petitions is, accordingly, deferred to 22 June 2021.
- 7. The joint meeting by video conference be held before the next date. Time for the meeting through video conferencing will be communicated to each of the Petitioners. The learned AGP states that considering that the different departments are involved, the office of the Government Pleader will co-ordinate in arranging the virtual meeting, and the minutes of this meeting will be placed on record on the next date of hearing with necessary details.

C.V. BHADANG, J.

NITIN JAMDAR, J.