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WP-18153-2026

IN THE HIGH COURT OF MADHYA PRADESH
AT JABALPUR

BEFORE

HON'BLE SHRI JUSTICE VIVEK RUSIA,
ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE

&

HON'BLE SHRI JUSTICE PRADEEP MITTAL
ON THE 23rd OF JUNE, 2026

WRIT PETITION No. 18153 of 2026

DR.ASHUTOSH SINGH GOUR AND OTHERS

Versus

THE STATE OF MADHYA PRADESH AND OTHERS

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Appearance:

Shri Satya Prakash Mishra, learned Advocate for the petitioners.

*Shri Bramhadatt Singh, learned Additional Advocate General for the
respondent/State.*

Shri Aditya Pachori, learned counsel for the respondent/MPPSC.
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ORDER

Per. Vivek Rusia, Acting Chief Justice

In this writ petition, the petitioners are challenging the impugned advertisement dated 30.12.2025/24.12.2024 (Annexure-P/1) and notification dated 31.12.2024 (Annexure-P/2) issued by the respondents for appointment to the post of Assistant Professors.

2. Facts of the case, in short, are that the respondents on 12/12/2017 issued invitation for applications for filling up the posts of Assistant Professor. Since these examinations were held after so many years, age relaxation up to 40 years was granted. Certain more relaxation was also granted to Guest Faculties.

3. Thereafter, another advertisement was issued in the year 2022. The petitioners participated in the said selection process. Another advertisement was



also issued in the year 2024. By that time, the petitioners became overaged; therefore, they challenged the same in W.P.No.12302/2025. The petitioners were permitted to appear in the examination by way of an interim order.

4. Now, a fresh advertisement has been issued by the respondents on 30.12.2025 for the post of Assistant Professor. In this selection process, the petitioners also could not participate because of their age. The petitioners No.1 to 8 have now attained the age of 54 years, 57 years, 52 years, 56 years, 51 years, 49 years, 53 years and 51 years respectively.

5. Therefore, now this ground is not available to the petitioners because they could not participate as they have become overaged. This is the third round of the recruitment process for the post of Assistant Professor. The petitioners have already tried their luck in the earlier two selection processes.

6. Hence, in our opinion, no further relaxation can be granted under the category of Guest Faculties. Accordingly, the instant writ petition, being devoid of substance, stands dismissed. However, it is observed that dismissal of the instant writ petition will not affect the consideration of W.P.No.12302/2025 [Dr. Ashutosh Singh Gour and others Vs. State of M.P. & others], which shall be decided in accordance with law on its own merits.

7. With the above observation, the instant writ petition stands dismissed.

(VIVEK RUSIA)
ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE

(PRADEEP MITTAL)
JUDGE

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