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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA CWJC No. 7139 of 1999 Jai Prakash Sharma Vrs State of Bihar & ors

For Petitioner: M/s S.P.Mukherjee & Gyanand Roy For State : Mr Ranjan Kumar JC to SC II

Kaushal Kumar Jha For BPSC : Mr

This writ petition on behalf of the sole patitioner has been filed seeking direction upon the Birar Public Service Commission (in short, the Commission) to recommend him for appointment on the post of Homeopathic Doctor. As a matter of wich others fact, the petitioner along recommended for appointment of the said post, the recommendation was later withdrawn on the ground that he did not possess the internship It is relevant to mention here qualification. that this was pursuant to interim order of this Court dated 12.1.1999 in CWJC Np. 12531/98 (Bihar Unemployed Homeopathic Doctors association Vs State of Bihar) and analogous cases.

After hearing Counsel for the parties at Dength it appears that the controversy centres round the Internship qualification for appointment Doctor. Homeopathic of bn the post advertisement, being Advt. no. 9/95, was issued appointment by the Commission for Homeopathic Doctors under different categories. In the advertisement, the essent al qualifications were mentioned as:-

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(i) Four years diploma from a recognised University or Board in Homeopathic System of Medicines; and

(ii) Internship experience certificate granted by the central Council for Homeopathic Medicine.

petitioner is that The case of the pursuant to the letter of the State Government dated 1.8.1995 the Commission issued corrigendum Internship qualification of deleting the certificate/experience and therefore it no longer remained an essential condition for appointment on Copy of the the post of Homeopathic Doctor. Corrigendum appears at page 62 of the brief, from perusal of which it appears that the only change brought about in the qualification was that the candidate could have either four years diploma or degree from a recognised University or Board in Homeopathic System of Medicine. To same effect is the counter affidavit of the Government. the essential qualification for appointment being two fold; namely four years diploma qualification in Homeopathic System of Medicine by a recognised University or Board and Internship, the second qualification remained as it was and therefore if the petitioner did not possess the Internship experience/certificate he could not be regarded as eligible for appointment in terms the advertisement.

It was submitted on behalf of the petitioner that the petitioner acquired the requisite qualification/certificate later and

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therefore he cannot be treated as ineligible for appointment. The submission has been noticed to be summarily rejected for the reason that such acquisition of experience/certificate was later than last date of submission of the applications pursuant to Advt. no. 9/95 which must be regarded as the cut off date. It is well settled that acquisition of qualification after cut off date is of no avail to the candidates for the purpose of eligibility.

As indicated above, the moot question for consideration is whether for appointment on the post of Homeopathic Doctor a candidate should have Internship experience/certificate. This indeed is the theme of the aforementioned writ petitions by Unemployed Homeopathic Doctors the Bihar State Association (CWJC No. 2531/98). From perusal of the record of that case it appears that the Court a blanket stay all had earlier given appointments on the post pursuant the recommendation of the Commission, on 9.4.98. Later said order was modified on 12.1.99 in the following terms:-

The respondents shall be at liberty to make appointments of Homeopathic Doctors on the basis of selection made by the Bihar Public Service Commission pursuant to Advertisement no 9/95, subject to the result of these writ petitions. This fact shall be noted in the appointment orders of the respective candidates. However, this interim order will be available only to such candidates who

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		qualifications, vide of the education mentioned in the ad Commission shall, acc revised merit list candidates, if neces proper verification candidates do posses internship qualificat. It was in the light order that the Commission sen in which petitioner's name of the action of the Commission to order of this Court in writ still pending, it is not po	ordingly, submit a of selected sary after making that the selected requisite ion." or aforesaid interim revised merit list lid not find place. Deing pursuant to the petitions which are ssible to grant any
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