



Central Administrative Tribunal Principal Bench, New Delhi

O.A. No.398/2020

M.A. No.506/2020

Thursday, this the 13th day of February 2020

Hon'ble Sri Justice L. Narasimha Reddy, Chairman
Hon'ble Sri A. K. Bishnoi, Member (A)

1. Heena Ansari, d/o A A Ansari
Aged about 30 years
r/o G-68,
Flat No.1, Second Floor
Dilshad Colony, Delhi – 110 005
Group B, CGLE – 2019
2. Syani Mukherjee d/o Saibal
Aged about 30 years
r/o Domjur, Howrah 711405
Group B, CGLE – 2019
3. Sonam Goel d/o Vijay Kumar Goel
Aged about 30 years
r/o B-8, Sector 7, Dwarka, Delhi – 110 075
Group B, CGLE – 2019
4. Swati d/o Surendra
Aged about 30 years
r/o D-506, Multaniura, Modinagar
Ghaziabad 201204
Group B, CGLE – 2019
5. Neeraj Kumar s/o Pramod Kumar
Aged about 30 years
r/o Mohalla Mathuria, Baigneekhand BilharSharif
Nalanda, Bihar – 803 101
Group B, CGLE – 2019
6. Saurabh Mishra s/o Balmik Mishra
Aged about 30 years
r/o 323/4, Mains Shyam Park, Sahibaba
Ghaziabad, UP 201 005
Group B, CGLE – 2019



7. Manoj Labhaniya
s/o Neeraj Kishore Labhaniya
aged about 30 years,
r/o 154 Shri Krishna Sarovar Colony
Khandwa 450001
Group B, CGLE – 2019
8. Shyam Singh s/o R Singh
Aged about 29 years
r/o Florida River Bank, Silver Sands Road
Pune, Maharashtra
Group B, CGLE – 2019
9. Dimpy d/o Lt. B K Tiwary
Aged about 30 years
r/o EM/48, Basanti Colony
Rourkela, Orissa
Group B, CGLE – 2019
10. Chander Deep Singh s/o Sarwan Dass
Aged about 30 years
r/o Vill Himmat Pur, PO Dhanoa
Tehsil Dasyu, District Hoshiarpur
Punjab – 144214
Group B, CGLE – 2019
11. Gauri Bansal d/o Hari,
Aged about 30 years
r/o Gaurav Bansal Traders, Near Axis Bank
AB Road, Shivpuri, Madhya Pradesh – 473551
Group B, CGLE – 2019
12. Mansi Gupta d/o Brij Mohan Gupta
Aged about 30 years
r/o LP Block 34 C
First Floor, Pitampura, Delhi – 110 034
Group B, CGLE – 2019
13. Anshul Khare s/o V.K. Khare
Aged about 30 years
r/o B-10, 25 Bunglow Colony
Vyapar Vihar Road, Bilaspur
Chhatisgarh – 495 001



14. Vikrant s/o Ramchander
Aged about 30 years
r/o Urban Estate
Jind, Haryana – 126 102
Group B, CGLE – 2019
15. Chandan Singh s/o Anil Kumar Singh
Aged about 30 years
Plot No.242, Flat No. S-2
Main Shyam Park, Shahibabad
Ghaziabad – 201 005
Group B, CGLE – 2019
16. Gaurav Bansal s/o R C Bansal
r/o 30, Street No.4, House No.139
Laxminagar, Delhi – 110 092
Group B, CGLE – 2019
17. Jasmeet Singh s/o Harvinder Singh
Aged about 30 years
r/o House No.147
Durgapuri, Loni Road
Group B, CGLE – 2019
18. S Ram Krishna Avasarala
s/o Venkata Raghu
aged about 30 years
r/o 5 -113, Santhosh Nagar
Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh – 533 005
Group B, CGLE – 2019

..Applicants

(Sri Gaurav Gupta, Advocate)

Versus

1. Union of India
Through its Secretary
Department of Personnel & Training
Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievance &
Pension, North Block,
New Delhi
2. Staff Selection Commission (Hdqr.)
Through its Chairman
Block No.12, CGO Complex



Lodhi Road,
Near Jawahar Lal Nehru Stadium
New Delhi – 110 003

..Respondents

(Sri S M Zulfiqar Alam, Advocate)

O R D E R (ORAL)

Justice L. Narasimha Reddy:

The Staff Selection Commission (SSC), the 2nd respondent herein, issued Notice dated 22.10.2019, proposing to conduct the Combined Graduate Level Examination, 2019. Last date for receiving the applications was stipulated as 25.11.2019. The age limit is prescribed for different categories. The minimum and maximum age limits are to be reckoned with reference to 2nd January of a particular year. The applicants contend that they become overaged if one takes into account, the date of reckoning, as indicated in the Notice. They submit that had the examination been conducted in the year 2019, they would have become eligible and once the examination is being held in the year 2020, they are entitled to be given an opportunity. Reference is also made to a Note dated 22.02.2016 issued by the 2nd respondent in this behalf.



2. The applicants claim relief in the form of a direction to the respondents to amend clause (5) of Notification dated 22.10.2019 and accordingly, change the dates of reckoning of age from 01.01.2019 to 01.01.2020, and to provide them a compensatory attempt.

3. We heard Sri Gaurav Gupta, learned counsel for applicants and Sri S M Zulfiqar Alam, learned counsel for respondents, at length.

4. The Notification was issued on 22.10.2019. It provides for receipt of applications from 22.10.2019 to 25.11.2019. According to paragraph (5) of the Notification, the age is to be reckoned as on 01.01.2020, as under:-

S No.	Age Limit	Remarks
(i)	For the posts for which age limit is 18-27 years	Candidate must have been born not earlier than 02-01-1993 and not later than 01-01-2002
(ii)	For the posts for which age limit is 20-27 years	Candidate must have been born not earlier than 02-01-1993 and not later than 01-01-2000.
(iii)	For the posts for which age limit is 20-30 years	Candidate must have been born not earlier than 02-01-1990 and not later than 01-01-2000.



(iv)	For the posts for which age limit is up to 30 years	Candidate must have been born not earlier than 02-01-1990 and not later than 01-01-2002.
(v)	For the post for which age limit is up to 32 years	Candidate must have been born not earlier than 02-01-1988 and not later than 01-01-2002.

5. It is no doubt true that the examination Notice is issued in the month of October, 2019 and examination will take place in the year 2020. On that mere account, the respondents cannot be required to change the date of reckoning. The applicants are not able to cite any provisions of law, which can be said to have been contravened by the respondents, in this behalf.

6. It is true that in the year 2016, the Government responded to representations made by the affected candidates and changed the date of reckoning to 01.01.2016 as well as 01.08.2016. The fact, however, remains that such a facility was extended before the last date of submission of applications and it was even extended by 10 days. The applicants herein approached the Tribunal long after the expiry of last date of submission of applications. According to the calendar, the



Tier-I examination is scheduled to take place on 02.03.2020. Extensive processing of applications has taken place between the last date of submission of applications and the proposed date of holding of examination. Not only the hall tickets are to be generated, but also the examination material is to be prepared. We cannot restrict the facility to the applicants alone. If the facility is extended, thousands of candidates will become eligible and the whole schedule of examination will be disturbed.

7. We do not find any merit in this O.A. It is accordingly dismissed.

There shall be no order as to costs.

(A.K. Bishnoi)
Member (A)

(Justice L. Narasimha Reddy)
Chairman

February 13, 2020
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