

Order dated 25-11-2002

This application has been filed by the South Eastern Railway Promotee Officers' Association praying that ^{be} the Tribunal may/pleased to quash the report of the J.P. Gupta Committee (Chapter-II relating to equivalence between promotee officers and directly recruited officers) appointed pursuant to the Railway Board's order dated 5th April, 1994, to direct ^{the} Respondents to constitute a Task Force in terms of the recommendations made by the Prakash Tandon Committee to remove difference between the promotee officers and directly recruited officers.

With the passage of time much water has flown down the Ganges. We find from the records that Prakash Tandon Committee was set up to make a detailed study of the Organisation and structure of the Railway and to make recommendations to bring about necessary changes in the management ethos so that the Rail Transport becomes a way of business. On receipt of the recommendation of the Prakash Tandon Committee the Respondents appointed J.P. Gupta Committee to go into the various issues on which the Prakash Tandon Committee made recommendations and to workout detailed methodologies for bringing out the recommended changes. All this happened between the years 1993 and 1994 and ~~xx~~ by the time, Respondent No.1 received the report of the Gupta-Narayan Committee, the Central Government had constituted the 5th Pay Commission for its employees including those in the Railways. Respondent No.1, thereafter, referred the Gupta-Narayan Committee report to the Pay Commission for their consideration.

The said 5th Pay Commission submitted his recommendations to the Government in the year 1997 and the Government

implemented its recommendations in consultation with the National Joint Consultative Machinery of Staff in October, 1997.

In the circumstances, the relief sought by the Applicants' Association having been gone into depth by an eminent expert body like the 5th Pay Commission, there remains nothing uncovered in the matter and therefore, nothing survives in this application to be adjudicated by us.

With the above observation, we dispose of this

O.A. as infructuous. No costs.

MEMBER (JUDICIAL)

VICE-CHAIRMAN

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