SUPREME COURT OF INDIA RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Writ Petition(s)(Civil) No(s). 150/2018

KUMAR AMIT MANU

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI & ANR.

Respondent(s)

Date: 21-02-2018 This petition was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MADAN B. LOKUR HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KURIAN JOSEPH HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK GUPTA

For Petitioner(s) Mr. Shantanu Kumar, AOR

For Respondent(s)

(As per appearance slip)

UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following

ORDER

Issue notice.

The issue in this writ petition is whether i) the petitioners, who are judicial officers in service, but who have completed seven years before rendering service or; ii) who have a combined service of practice as lawyer and judicial service of seven years or; iii) even in judicial service of seven years, are eligible to participate in the selection to the Delhi Higher Judicial Service.

It is informed that the last date for submission of applications is 15.02.2018 extended to 22.02.2018 and that the examination is scheduled to be held on 15.04.2018.

Heard the learned counsel appearing for the petitioners at the admission stage and learned counsel appearing for the High Court of

Delhi.

The learned counsel has brought to our notice a Reference made by this Court as per order dated 23.01.2018 to a larger Bench in SLP (C) No. 14156 of 2015 and connected matters.

We direct the High Court of Delhi to register the applications of the petitioners and intervenors, if they are otherwise in order, ignoring the objections regarding seven years practice and in case they are otherwise eligible as per the three aspects referred to above.

We make it clear that this is only a provisional arrangement.

Mere participation does not confer them with any right to claim any equity. The eligibility for appointment will be decided at the time of final hearing of the matter.

Tag with WP (C) No. 64/2018 etc.

(MEENAKSHI KOHLI) COURT MASTER (KAILASH CHANDER)
COURT MASTER