S. No. 17
Regular Cause List

IN THE HIGH COURT 0F JAMMU & KASHMIR AND LADAKH AT SRINAGAR

WP(C)/2797/2026
CM/7722/2026

GULZAR ALI

…Appellant(s)/Petitioner(s)

Through: Mr. Aqib Aijaz, Advocate

Vs.

JAMMU AND KASHMIR ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE AND OTHERS ...Respondent(s)

Through:

CORAM:

HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE SINDHU SHARMA, JUDGE

ORDER
11.11.2026

1. The case of the petitioner is that he came to be engaged as Assistant Faculty at the J&K Entrepreneurship Development Institute on 29.01.2018. The petitioner has been serving at various District Centres of the J&K Entrepreneurship Development Institute, and his contractual tenure was extended from time to time by respondent No. 1 by issuing formal orders. It is averred in the petition that the Governing Body of the J&K Entrepreneurship Development Institute, in its meeting held on 18.12.2007, had taken a decision that upon completion of the initial contractual period of two years, the petitioner would acquire a right to have his contractual services regularized. It is further contended that while the case of the petitioner has not been considered favourably, the said practice has not been followed uniformly, as other similarly situated persons

have been regularized upon completion of the mandatory period of two years of service. The petitioner, thus, claims to have been discriminated against, particularly when vacant posts are stated to be available with the respondents.

2. It is submitted that some other similarly situated persons had approached this Court in WP(C) No. 988/2021 titled *Reheela Nazir and Ors. vs. J&K EDI and Ors.* The writ petition was disposed of with a direction to regularize the persons against the posts they were serving after successful completion of the tenure. This judgment has attained finality. The petitioner, being similarly situated, seeks the same benefit, as were extended to the aforesaid writ petitioners.
3. It is submitted by learned counsel appearing for the petitioner that the petitioner has already submitted a representation before the respondents, which has not been considered till date. He further submits that the petitioner would feel satisfied if the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents to consider and decide the said representation within a stipulated time frame.
4. In view of the submissions made by learned counsel for the petitioner, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents to consider and decide the representation claimed to have been made by the petitioner strictly in accordance with the rules in vogue.
5. Let the aforesaid exercise be completed by the respondents within a period of six weeks from the date a certified copy of this order is made available to them.

6. **Disposed of** accordingly along with connected CM(s).

(SINDHU SHARMA)
JUDGE

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