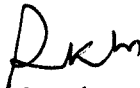



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10.	18.11.2004	<p>Heard Shri J. B. Pradhan, learned counsel for the petitioners and Shri Karma Thinlay, learned counsel for the respondents.</p> <p>There are ten petitioners. They are all employees of General Reserve Engineering Force under the Border Roads Organisation and posted at different places in India. They have filed this writ petition alleging disparity of scale of pay and status.</p> <p>In course of hearing of this writ petition today, Shri Pradhan, learned counsel for the petitioners sought permission to withdraw the writ petition saying that they would make a representation to the Government of India in the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways for necessary reliefs. Shri Pradhan claims that the petitioners case are covered by the Central Civil Services (Revised Pay) Rules, 1997 pertaining to Subordinate Engineering Cadres (Diploma Engineers). Learned counsel also submits that the concerned authority did not pay due attention to the report given by the Fifth Pay Commission relating to Diploma Engineers (re-designated as Junior Engineers). It is submitted by him that the other departments of the Central Government pay scale has been fixed at Rs.5000 - 8000 whereas, in the BRO, entry grade has been given the pay scale of Rs. 4,500 - 7000, although they are all Diploma Engineers.</p> <p>Without expressing any opinion on the above claims, we dispose of the writ petition with a direction that, if the petitioners make a representation in this regard, the Government of India in the appropriate department shall consider it, keeping in view</p>	<p>A copy of order forwarded to Ministry of Road Transport & Highways on 26-11-04 <i>h.c.s</i> <i>26/11/04</i></p>

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		<p>the Central Civil Service (Revised Pay) Rules, 1997 pertaining to Subordinate Engineering Cadres (Diploma Engineers) as well as the report of the Fifth Pay Commission relating to Diploma Engineers and communicate their decision within three months' of receipt of the representation by a speaking order.</p> <p>In fact by Order dated 22.4.2004, we gave liberty to the petitioners to make a representation to the concerned department for consideration of their grievance with regard to alleged disparity of scale of pay and status. Shri Pradhan says that in obedience to the observation, the petitioners have made a representation, but no communication has yet been done.</p> <p>With the above direction and observation, the writ petition is disposed of.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"> (R. K. Patra) Chief Justice</p> <p style="text-align: right;"> (N. S. Singh) Judge</p>	