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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA

VINEET SARAN; J.K. MAHESHWARI, JJ.

Special Leave to Appeal (C) No(s).33645/2018; 24-03-2022

STATE OF UTTARAKHAND & ORS. *VERSUS* SANJAY SINGH CHAUHAN & ORS.

National Health Mission - Ayurvedic doctors will be entitled to be treated at par with Allopathic Medical Officers and Dental Medical Officers under the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM/NHM) Scheme - Upheld Uttarakhand High Court judgment that under the NRHM/NHM Scheme, Ayurvedic Doctors will be entitled to parity in salary with Allopathic Medical Officers and Dental Medical Officers.

(Arising out of impugned final judgment and order dated 03-04-2018 in WP No.484/2014 passed by the High Court of Uttarakhand at Nainital)

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ORDER

Having heard learned counsel for the parties and considering the facts and circumstances of the case, we do not find any ground for interference with the order passed by the High Court. The special leave petition is, accordingly, dismissed.

However, we may only clarify that the respondents who are Ayurvedic doctors will be entitled to be treated at par with Allopathic Medical Officers and Dental Medical Officers under the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM/NHM) Scheme.

After the order was passed, learned counsel for the petitioners made a statement that petitioners would like to file a review petition before the High Court. It is not for this Court to issue any such direction. It is always open to the petitioners to pursue such remedy as may be available to them in law.