

**HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

**CWP No. 22296 of 2015
Date of decision: October 16, 2015**

Dr. Sanjay Kumar

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and ors.

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE HARINDER SINGH SIDHU

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Present: - Mr.Jagat Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.

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HARINDER SINGH SIDHU, J.

The petitioner applied for the post of Assistant Professor in Psychology on regular basis in respondent No.5-College pursuant to the advertisement dated 1.8.2013 (Annexure P-1). The qualification for appointment to the said post is as under:-

“i) National Eligibility Test (NET) shall be compulsory for appointment at the entry level of Assistant Professor, subject to the exemptions to the degree of Ph.D. In respect of those persons obtaining the award through a process of registration, course-work and external evaluation as have been laid down by the UGC through its regulations, and so adopted by the State Government vide letter No. 7/66-2003 C IV (3) dated 17.7.2009 (Appendix-III).

ii) The minimum requirement of a good academic record, 55% marks (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) at the master's level.”

The petitioner was not successful in interview. However, respondent No.10 was successful and was appointed. The petitioner has some doubt about the authenticity of the degree of Ph.D.,

submitted by respondent No.10. He submitted various complaints to the authorities and not being satisfied with the response, he lastly filed CWP No.20298 of 2014, which was disposed of vide order dated 29.9.2014 with a direction to the respondent No.1 to look into the matter, consider the grievance of the petitioner raised vide representation dated 6.3.2014 and decide the same at an early date.

Pursuant to the aforesaid order, the impugned order dated 16.6.2015(Annexure P-25) has been passed rejecting the representation of the petitioner. In the impugned order, it is stated that after receiving the judgment, the matter in question was examined in detail. The department vide letter dated 15.7.2014 had requested MONAD University to verify the PH.D. Degree of Mr. Harikesh Singh, respondent No.10. The MONAD University vide its letter dated 17.7.2014 intimated that Mr. Harikesh was enrolled with the University for Ph.D. Degree in the field of Psychology and was issued provisional degree dated 8.7.2014. Therefore, at the time of joining of Mr. Harikesh as Assistant Professor of Psychology in the Vaish College Bhiwani, the Department had obtained authentication report regarding the same from the concerned University. It is further stated in the impugned order that it was only after duly considering the matter and after taking into consideration, the approval of the recommendation of Selection Committee by M.D. University, Rohtak, the department approved the proceedings vide its letter dated 5.8.2014.

It is thus clear that the Ph.D. degree of respondent No.10 has been duly certified by the MONAD University.

Accordingly, there is no merit in the present petition seeking further investigation and enquiry into the PH.D. Degree of respondent No.10- Harkesh Singh.

Dismissed.

(Harinder Singh Sidhu)
Judge

16.10.2015
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