

**118 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

CWP-24536-2015

Date of decision: November 26, 2015

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....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS.

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr. Veneet Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

LISA GILL, J. (ORAL)

Prayer in this writ petition is for directing respondents to declare the score card as well as the criteria/Bench Mark for appointment to the post of Deputy Finance Officer in I.K. Gujral Punjab Technical University, Kapurthala in the interview held on 23rd April, 2012 with a further direction to appoint the petitioner to the post of Deputy Finance Officer on the basis of interview held on the abovesaid date. Pursuant to advertisement dated 6th April, 2011 (Annexure P-1), petitioner applied for the post of Deputy Finance Officer. He was called for interview on 23rd April, 2012. Out of seven persons found eligible, four candidates appeared for the interview. It is submitted that result of selection was never declared.

Petitioner after a lapse of two years filed an application dated 21st March, 2014 (Annexure P-3) under the Right to Information Act seeking status of the result of the interview held on 23rd April, 2012. As per response dated 26th June, 2014 (Annexure -6), it was informed that none had been found suitable pursuant to the said interview.

Learned counsel for the petitioner vehemently argues that

criteria as well as score card as reflected at Annexure D in Annexure P-12 was never supplied to him therefore, relevant information is being deliberately denied to him. Method adopted by the University is biased, leaving room for manipulation. Appointment has been illegally denied to the petitioner with a further averment that as per petitioner's information someone has been appointed against the said post on ad-hoc basis. It is, thus, prayed that petitioner be appointed to the said post.

Having heard learned counsel for the petitioner and going through the file, it is apparent that petitioner has no vested right whatsoever to seek appointment to the post of Deputy Finance Officer having appeared for the interview held on 23rd April, 2012. As per communication dated 26th June, 2014, it is clear that none has been appointed pursuant to interview held on 23rd April, 2011 consequent to advertisement dated 6th July, 2011. Apart from the fact that there is nothing on record to show that petitioner made any efforts to pursue the matter from April, 2012 till 21st March, 2014, it is a settled proposition of law that even a selected candidate has no vested right to be appointed qua a particular post. Once respondents have chosen not to appoint any person consequent to the abovesaid interview, no right whatsoever accrues to the petitioner. There is nothing on record to impugn said action of authorities. Averment that some other person stands appointed on ad hoc basis, is of no avail to the petitioner. Said averment is vague and evasive with no details coming forth. So-called person appointed on ad hoc basis has not even been named leave alone impleaded as a party-respondent in this writ petition. In respect to non-furnishing of information by the respondents is concerned, petitioner has efficacious remedy available to him.

Learned counsel for the petitioner is unable to point out any ground for interference in this case in exercise of jurisdiction under Article 226 of the Constitution of India.

Writ petition is accordingly dismissed.

November 26, 2015
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(LISA GILL)
JUDGE