

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

CWP No.5878 of 2015
Date of decision: 20.04.2015

Varinder Kumar

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN PALLI

Present: Mr. Amandeep Singh Manaise, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

1. Whether reporters of local papers may be allowed to see the judgment?
2. To be referred to the reporters or not?
3. Whether the judgment should be reported in the digest?

ARUN PALLI J. (Oral)

Writ in the nature of certiorari is prayed for so as to quash the order dated 12.06.2014 (Annexure P6), passed by respondent No.1, whereby the approval to relax the upper age limit of the petitioner and to condone the delay in moving an appropriate application seeking employment on compassionate grounds, has since been declined. A direction is also prayed for to the respondents to consider and appoint the petitioner to the post of Constable, as his father HC Somraj No.620/GSP died in harness. It is maintained that the similarly circumstanced persons as petitioner, have been afforded employment as Constables in Punjab Police by relaxing the upper age limit. So much so, prior to the institution of this petition, petitioner even represented to respondents No.1 to 3

vide a representation dated 01.08.2014 (Annexure P8) for reconsideration of his claim. And in response, respondent No.3 i.e. SSP Pathankot, vide letter dated 23.09.2014 (Annexure P9) has forwarded the claim of the petitioner for reconsideration to Deputy Inspector General (Border Range), Amritsar. But with no tangible result.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that, at this stage, let this petition be disposed of with a direction to respondents No.1 to 3, to consider and decide the representation moved by the petitioner dated 01.08.2014 (Annexure P8), seeking reconsideration of his claim, within a specified time.

That being so, and without expressing any opinion on merits, this petition is disposed of with a direction to respondents No.1 to 3, to consider and decide the claim of the petitioner, as set out in his representation dated 01.08.2014 (Annexure P8), vide which he sought reconsideration of his claim for appointment on compassionate grounds, strictly in accordance with law, within a period of three months from the receipt of certified copy of this order. Needless to assert, a comprehensive order shall be passed, assigning reasons in support of the decision arrived at.

April 20, 2015
Rajan

(Arun Palli)
Judge