

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

**Civil Writ Petition No. 10158 of 2016 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 24.09.2016**

Jaspreet Kaur

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present: Mr. K.B.S. Mann, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Inder Pal Goyat, Additional Advocate General, Punjab
for respondent Nos. 1, 2, 5 & 6.

Mr. Sarbjit Singh, Advocate
for respondent No. 3-Punjab Nursing Registration Council.

None for respondent No. 4-Baba Farid University, Faridkot.

JASWANT SINGH, J. (ORAL)

Petitioner-Jaspreet Kaur was granted admission by respondent No. 5-Institute for Auxiliary Nursing Midwifery (ANM) 2 Years' Training Course in October 2015, pursuant to the prospectus dated 08.10.2015 (**Annexure P-4**) issued by respondent No. 4- Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot The petitioner is around forty (40) years in age.

The grievance of the petitioner is against the letter dated 10.12.2015 (**Annexure P-11**) issued by respondent No. 3-Punjab Nursing Registration Council, thereby restricting the upper age limit of thirty-five (35) years for the candidates securing admission to the course of Auxiliary Nursing Midwifery. Since the examination form of the petitioner (being considered ineligible) was not being forwarded by the Institute-respondent No. 5 in the light of **P-11**, the petitioner has approached this Court.

Upon notice, no reply to-date has been filed.

However, learned counsel for respondent No. 3-Punjab Nursing Registration Council submits that upon reconsideration, the maximum age limit for the ANM Trainees, like the petitioner, has since been raised to forty-two (42) years, and the Principal of the Institute-respondent No. 5 has already been issued a letter, requesting forwarding of the forms of the Trainees, who are above thirty-five (35) years, but below forty-two (42) years.

The Principal of respondent No. 5-Institute is present in Court and submits that form of the petitioner has since been forwarded to respondent No. 3-Punjab Nursing Registration Council for the examinations scheduled to be held in the month of October 2016 for issuance of roll number etc.

Leaned counsel for contesting respondent No. 3 (Punjab Nursing Registration Council) submits that in the light of changed stand of the Punjab Nursing Council/respondent No. 3, the present petition has, thus, become infructuous, as the petitioner is duly eligible in age for undertaking the ANM course.

In view of above, present petition stands dismissed as infructuous.

September 24, 2016

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**(JASWANT SINGH)
JUDGE**

Whether Speaking/reasoned	Yes
Whether Reportable	No