

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

**CWP No.1657 of 2016
Decided on : 02.03.2016**

Narinder Sharma

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE G.S. SANDHAWALIA

Present : Mr. Rahul Bhargava, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Avinit Avasthi, AAG, Punjab
for respondents No.1 and 2.

Mr. J.S. Puri, Advocate
for respondent No.3-Board.

G.S. Sandhawalia, J. (Oral)

The petitioner seeks the re-checking regarding question No.96 of PSTET-2015.

It is the case of the petitioner that he had opted for option 'B' of the said question, but also inadvertently marked option 'A' by darkening 1/4th of the total circle, due to pressure. Resultantly, he was entitled for the benefit of one grace mark.

Admittedly, the petitioner has got 87 marks out of 115 marks, whereas, the qualifying marks are 90.

In the written statement filed by respondent No.3, the defence taken is that as per Clause-5 of the instructions, option had to be given clearly and marking more than one option shall also be deemed wrong.

In such circumstances, the petitioner who had partly opted for option 'A' is bound by the terms of the instructions and resultantly no relief can be granted to him.

The other issue regarding pendency of the connected cases, where certain questions are the subject matter of challenge also need not be dealt by this Court. In case, any order is to be passed in favour of the candidates therein, it is needless to say that the said benefit will be granted by the Board and the same would accrue to all the candidates.

Accordingly, the present writ petition is dismissed.

MARCH 02, 2016
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(G.S. SANDHAWALIA)
JUDGE