

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

Date of decision:04/10/2016

Gurdip Singh and others

.....Petitioners

VS

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present:- Mr.GS Nahel,Advocate for the petitioners

Mr.Vaibhav Sharma,DAG Punjab assisted by
Mr.Sanjeev Kumar,Jr.Asstt.,0/0 SDM Kharar.

Jaswant Singh,J(Oral)

43 petitioners are working as ETT teachers and posted in different Government schools in District SAS Nagar, Mohali. Their grievance is that vide impugned order dated 26.7.2016(P-3) passed by Electoral Registration Officer-cum-SDM Kharar, they have been deputed to function as Booth Level Officers(BLOs) apart from their respective official duties for the ensuing general assembly elections.

It is contended that the petitioners cannot be made to function as BLOs in the light of law settled by Hon'ble the Supreme Court in **Election Commission of India v St.Mary's School and others 2008(1) RCR (Civil)297.**

Upon notice,learned State counsel on instructions submits with utmost responsibility that respondents in due deference to the cited judgment are aware of the mandate of Hon'ble the Supreme Court and none of the teachers including petitioners would be deputed for electoral work during the period of their imparting education to the students so that the

interest of the students is not affected.

In view of the stand taken by the learned State counsel, counsel for the petitioners prays for permission to withdraw the petition.

Dismissed as withdrawn.

04/10/2016
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(Jaswant Singh)
Judge

Whether speaking/ reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable:	Yes/No