

HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE P. NAVEEN RAO

WRIT PETITION (TR.) No.149 of 2017

Date: June 21, 2017

Between:

B. Srikanth, S/o.B.Satyanarayana,
Aged 24 years, Occ: Unemployed,
H.No.13-4-561/19/D/1, New Ganga Nagar,
Jiyaguda, Hyderabad and others

... Petitioners

And

The State Level Police Recruitment Board
Rep., by its Chairman, Govt. of A.P.,
D.G.P. Office premises, Lakdikapul,
Hyderabad and others

... Respondents

This court made the following



ORDER:

On 31.10.2011, the State Level Police Recruitment Board issued recruitment notification calling for applications from eligible candidates to fill up 8 categories of posts mentioned in the notification. Petitioners responded to the said notification and participated in the selections. As petitioners were not qualified, they were not selected. The criteria notified for selections was that if the answer given by the candidates to a question is wrong, the wrong answer will carry negative marks. By applying the negative marking system, petitioners were disqualified. Subsequently, Government reviewed the system of negative marking and issued notification amending the provision in the Rules notified earlier in G.O.Ms.No.315 Home (Pol.C) Department dated 13.10.1999. The negative marking system stood removed after this amendment. Petitioners now contend that, since subsequently the negative marking system was removed, their answers should be evaluated without applying the negative marking and they should be considered for appointment.

It is not in dispute that the Rule as prevailing when the recruitment notification was issued prescribed negative marking system. The recruitment notification also indicated the negative marking system. It is not the case of petitioners that they were surprised by subsequent application of negative marking system after participating in the selections. Petitioners were very much aware of the method of selection prescribed and participated in the selections; thus they cannot turn around and ask for different method of selection to be adopted after the selections were finalized, merely because they were not selected. Furthermore, the recruitment rules as well as the notification are not under challenge.

Thus, the claim made by the petitioners to consider them for employment in pursuance to the recruitment notification dated 31.10.2011, without applying negative marking, is not sustainable. Therefore, the petitioners are not entitled for any relief claimed in the writ petition.

The writ petition is accordingly dismissed. No order as to costs.

As a sequel, miscellaneous petitions if any pending stand closed.

P. NAVEEN RAO, J