

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

**CWP-14747-2017
Date of Decision :11.07.2017**

ANUJ SINGH

.....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS

.....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMOL RATTAN SINGH

Present: Mr. Rajinder Singh Rana, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. R.K.Doan, AAG, Haryana.

AMOL RATTAN SINGH, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner in this petition seeks a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the second respondent herein, i.e. the Haryana Staff Selection Commission, to give him an opportunity to appear for the interview-cum-personality test for the post of a male Constable (General Duty), because it is contended that it is his last chance to compete for the said post.

The petitioner having cleared all tests prior to the interview, as contended, was to appear for the interview between 01.06.2017 to 08.06.2017, or between 12.06.2017 to 20.06.2017, both being the dates fixed for such interviews.

It is contended in the writ petition and submitted by the learned counsel, that due to the reason that in District Saharanpur communal riots broke out on 24.05.2017, by an order of the District Magistrate, other than

Section 144 Cr.P.C. having been imposed in the area, even the use of the mobile internet facility was banned between 24.05.2017 to 03.06.2017 and 08.06.2017 to 12.06.2017. In support of his contention he has placed on record a copy of a certificate issued by the 'Higher District Officer (Administration), Saharanpur', dated 05.07.2017, as Annexure P-5.

Hence, it is contended that it not being the fault of the petitioner that he could not attend the interview, he not having come to know of the dates of the interview, with the internet services also having been barred during the period when the respondent Commission had displayed on its website the dates of the interview, he should be now given a chance to appear for the interview and take his chance for selection thereto.

This case had earlier come up in the pre-lunch session and learned State counsel had been asked to verify whether the interview process pursuant to advertisement No.8 of 2015, was still continuing, so that the petitioner may possibly be given a chance at this stage to appear in the interview.

However, in the post-lunch session, Mr. R.K.Doan, AAG, Haryana, submits that he has taken specific instructions that interviews pursuant to the said advertisement have already concluded and in fact the selection is complete with announcement of the results on 26.03.2017 itself.

Obviously, as regards all those who were selected, the result of such selection already stands displayed.

Thus, even if it is not the petitioners' fault that he could not appear for the interview (though the authenticity of Annexure P-5 has also to be verified) allowing him to now appear for the interview, and in case of his selection to possibly dislodge somebody already selected, is not

considered appropriate.

Hence, finding no merit in this petition, it is dismissed in limine.

(AMOL RATTAN SINGH)
JUDGE

July 11, 2017
Sunil Devi

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No