

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

CWP No.21656 of 2017 (O&M)

Date of decision:22.09.2017

Ravinder Garg

... Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab & others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.

Present: Mr. Sunny Singla, Advocate for the petitioner.

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TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J.

The Punjab Subordinate Services Selection Board issued advertisement No.4 of 2015 dated 28.11.2015 inviting applications for recruitment to the post of Clerks and Clerk-cum-Data Entry Operators.

Pleadings on record would indicate that the petitioner had applied for the post in question.

Grievance raised in the instant petition is as regards non appointment of the petitioner to the post of Clerk and Clerk-cum-Data Entry Operator.

Counsel would submit that in the merit determined in the selection process, the petitioner had secured 65.200% marks whereas candidates much lower in merit have since been selected and appointed.

Counsel for the petitioner has been heard at length.

Perusal of the relevant extract of the advertisement placed on record at Annexure P-1 would reveal that the essential educational qualifications prescribed for the post were;

(a) A degree of Graduation from any recognized University/University as per UGC guidelines/instructions.

(b) Having passed Punjabi at the 10th level.

In the final merit list having been put in public domain by the recruitment agency, in the remarks column and against the petitioner's name, it has been recited that his result has been held in abeyance as the information provided by him as regards qualifications possessed have to be verified and then considered as per UGC/DEC guidelines.

It is the pleaded case of the petitioner himself that he has possessed a graduation degree from the Institution of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineers, Lodhi road New Delhi (Chandigarh Centre).

Clearly, the issue as to whether the degree qualification possessed by the petitioner is a recognized qualification to fulfill the requirement under the advertisement would be a moot point. These are matters to be considered by the recruitment agency.

In view of the above and without commenting on the merits of the case, I deem it appropriate to dispose of the instant petition in terms of granting liberty to the petitioner to approach the respondent authorities/ competent authority by filing a comprehensive representation along with supporting documents/material to demonstrate that the qualifications/degree possessed by him is a duly recognized qualification as per UGC/DEC guidelines.

In the eventuality of any such representation being preferred,

the competent authority thereafter would be obligated to consider and to take a final decision thereupon expeditiously and in accordance with law.

Disposed of.

22.09.2017

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**(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE**

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| (i) Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes |
| (ii) Whether Reportable? | No |