

Sr. No.116

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No.26374 of 2017 (O&M)

Date of Decision:20.11.2017

Amrit Pal Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

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

Present:- Mr. R.K.Arya, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J.(ORAL)

Petitioner is aggrieved of the action of the Department of Forests and Wildlife Preservation, State of Punjab in not having issued to him appointment letter for the post of Forest Guard against the reserved SC Sports Category.

Counsel submits that advertisement (Annexure P-1) was issued in the year 2013 by the Subordinate Services Selection Board, Punjab inviting up applications for filling up various posts including 100 posts of Forest Guards. Four posts were reserved for SC Sports Category. The essential eligibility conditions as regards educational qualifications, physical measurements etc. were mentioned in the advertisement. That apart even a 13 kms walk for men and 08 kms for women to be completed within one and a half hours was also a pre-condition.

Petitioner had applied for the post of Forest Guard under the reserved SC Sports Category. It is contended that in spite of having secured 35.65 marks in a written test conducted and having also completed the walk

the SC Sports Category has been issued to only one candidate. In a nutshell, it is argued that in spite of being eligible and having successfully negotiated the selection process, the respondent department without any justifiable basis is not issuing appointment letters against the three remaining posts of various Guards under the SC Sports Category.

Counsel submits that he would be satisfied if at this stage the writ petition is disposed of with directions to the respondent authorities to decide the representations that have already been submitted.

This Court finds the prayer of the counsel to be just and reasonable.

Accordingly, without going into the merits of the case and without even ascertaining the correctness of the averments made in the petition, I deem it appropriate to dispose of the writ petition with the directions to respondent No.3 to consider the claim of the petitioner by taking a final decision on the representations dated 18.05.2017 and 16.06.2017 (Annexure P-5 colly.) expeditiously and in any case within a period of 08 weeks from the date of receipt of the certified copy of this order.

Disposed of.

20.11.2017

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**(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes

Whether Reportable

No