

IN THE HIGH COURT FOR THE STATES OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA  
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No.27510 of 2017

Date of Decision: December 13, 2017

Deepak Chauhan

...Petitioner

Versus

Haryana Staff Selection Commission

...Respondent

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMOL RATTAN SINGH**

Present:- Mr. Ravinder Singh Dhull, Advocate, for the petitioner.

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**Amol Rattan Singh, J. (Oral)**

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner having actually obtained the EBPB certificate prior to the corrigendum issued by the respondent Commission vide Annexure P-5, by which the number of posts of Clerks to be filled in was increased from 5408 to 6126, with the last date also extended up till May 20, 2016, the petitioner would actually be entitled to take part in the selection process on the basis of the certificate, Annexure P-4, issued by the Tehsildar, Jgadhari, on 12.04.2016, certifying to the effect that the petitioner belongs to the category of Economically Backward Persons in the 'General Castes category'.

He submits that the delay in obtaining the certificate was because the village Panchayat of the petitioners' village, i.e. Khajuri, had remained suspended at the time when the form was originally filled in by the petitioner, and with the village Panchayat being the recommending authority for grant of such certificate, the petitioner could not apply under that category his said application form.

Having considered the above, but the notification of the State Government making reservations for Economically Backward Persons in the General Category having been stayed by an order of a Division Bench of this Court, this petition is disposed of at this stage with a direction to the respondents that if eventually the said reservation is upheld by this Court, and upon scrutiny it is found that the petitioners' certificate is genuine and the reasoning given by him to the effect that the village Panchayat remained suspended at the relevant time, he would be allowed to participate in the selection process in that category.

December 13, 2017  
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(**Amol Rattan Singh**)  
Judge

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| Whether speaking/reasoned: | Yes |
| Whether reportable:        | Yes |