

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

CWP No.16203 of 2013 (O&M)

Date of decision: 09.02.2018

Gurmeet Singh

...Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE JITENDRA CHAUHAN

Present: Mr. R.K. Arora, Advocate
for the petitioner(s).

Ms. Sudeepti Sharma, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

Mr. D.S. Dadwal, Advocate for
Mr. Sunil K. Sharma, Advocate for respondent No.3.

Jitendra Chauhan, J. (Oral)

By way of the present petition, the petitioner seeks issuance of a writ in the nature of certiorari/mandamus for quashing the action of respondents in not granting the petitioner National Award for best teacher as per his higher marks 78.75 out of 100 marks.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that after evaluation, the case of the petitioner along with respondent No.4 was recommended for the Award whereas the name of the petitioner despite his score being high i.e. 78.75 was not forwarded.

Learned State counsel does not controvert the assertion raised.

Heard.

As per reply, the Award in question conferred upon respondent No.4 stands withdrawn, vide Annexure R-1 and the necessary proceedings have been initiated against the erring officials. Admittedly, the score of the petitioner on all counts is higher than respondent No.4. As the Award earlier conferred upon respondent No.4 stands withdrawn, the first cause of action does not survive.

With regard to conferment of the Award upon the petitioner, learned State counsel submits that the competent authority of the State undertakes to recommend the case of the petitioner for conferment of the Award within three months from today. Respondent No.3-Union of India is directed to take a final view in the matter expeditiously, preferably, within a period of three months thereafter.

Disposed of.

09.02.2018

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(JITENDRA CHAUHAN)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes	No
Whether Reportable :	Yes	No