

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

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*CWP No.11404 of 2018*  
*Date of Decision:07.05.2018*

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Rakesh Kumar

. . . . . Petitioner

Vs.

Union of India and others

. . . . . Respondents

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**CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE RAKESH KUMAR JAIN**

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Present: - Mr.Chanderhas Yadav, Advocate,  
for the petitioner.

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***RAKESH KUMAR JAIN, J. (ORAL)***

The petitioner is aggrieved against the order dated 8.2.2018 passed by the Indian Oil Corporation [for short 'the Corporation'] by which his candidature has been cancelled for the selection of LPG distributorship at location Salahawas, District Jhajjar in the open (CC) category.

In brief, the Corporation made an advertisement on 13.8.2017 inviting applications for selection of distributorship of LPG at various locations in the State of Haryana including Salahawas, District Jhajjar in the Open (CC) Freedom Fighter category. The petitioner was one of the candidates, who had applied for the said distributorship. Draw of lots were held on 16.11.2017 in which the petitioner was declared successful. Accordingly, the field verification was conducted to verify the correctness of the information given by the petitioner in his application form. During the field verification, it was found that the petitioner has shown himself in the Freedom Fighter

category but he is alleging himself to be *dohta* of Man Singh (maternal grand father), who was allegedly the freedom fighter, holding Tamrapatra and received pension. The candidature of the petitioner has been cancelled in terms of Clause 8.C.c.ii of the Brochure on Unified Guidelines for Selection of LPG Distributors [for short 'the Brochure'] as per which the Freedom Fighter is a person, who is a holder of Tamrapatra and receiving pension sanctioned by the Ministry of Home Affairs. There is no provision in the Brochure that a grandson can also claim the benefit under the said category. Therefore, the respondent/Corporation has rightly rejected the application of the petitioner not only in terms of Clause 8.C.c.ii of the Brochure but also in terms of Clause 26 of the Brochure in which it is provided that if the information furnished by the candidate is ultimately found to be false then his candidature would be cancelled and 10% of the amount which is deposited at the time of field verification will be forfeited.

After hearing learned counsel for the petitioner and examining the record, I do not find any reason to interfere in this case because the petitioner is admittedly himself is not a freedom fighter and is claiming his right being the grandson of the freedom fighter which is not provided in the Brochure.

In view of the above, the present petition is found to be without any merit and the same is hereby dismissed though without any order as to costs.

(RAKESH KUMAR JAIN)  
JUDGE

07.05.2018

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