

CWP No. 16741 of 2017 (O&M)

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No. 16741 of 2017 (O&M)
Date of Decision : 22.02.2018

Ashok Kumar Virdi

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: *HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AJAY KUMAR MITTAL*
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present: Petitioner in person.

Mr. Shireesh Gupta, Senior Deputy Advocate General,
Punjab.

Ajay Kumar Mittal, J.(Oral)

The prayer in this petition, filed by way of Public Interest Litigation under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, is for issuance of a writ in the nature of certiorari/mandamus/prohibition for quashing the public notices/advertisements issued by respondent No. 2 for selection and appointment of the Chairperson and Member in the Punjab State Electricity Regulatory Commission (PSERC), which were uploaded by PSERC on its website on 19.05.2017 (Annexure-P/1) and 20.04.2017 (Annexure-P/3) respectively.

2. Learned State counsel refers to para 2 of the petition to contend that the petitioner has personal interest in this Public Interest Litigation (PIL), inasmuch as the petitioner was one of the candidates, who had applied for both the posts in question i.e. Chairperson and Member of the PSERC.

3. In such circumstances, the present PIL would not stand the test of judicial scrutiny in terms of the Rules framed by this Court,

namely, Maintainability of Public Interest Litigation Rules, 2010.

4. The petitioner, who appears in person, prays that he may be allowed to withdraw the writ petition with liberty to file a fresh one laying challenge either in the nature of quo warranto or any other writ petition in his personal capacity.

5. Dismissed as withdrawn. However, it would be open to the petitioner to take recourse to the remedies as may be available to him in accordance with law.

(AJAY KUMAR MITTAL)
JUDGE

February 22, 2018
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(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned?</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable?</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>