

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

Letters Patent Appeal No.2214 of 2016 (O&M) in
CWP No. 17429 of 2016
Date of decision: 24.4.2018

Randeep Singh

.. Appellant

v.

State of Haryana and others

.. Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BINDAL
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE B. S. WALIA

Present: Mr. Harish Mehla, Advocate for the appellant.
Ms. Tanisha Peshawaria, Deputy Advocate General, Haryana.

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Rajesh Bindal J.

The order passed by the learned Single Judge dated 14.9.2016 dismissing the writ petition has been impugned by filing the present intra-court appeal.

Father of the appellant, who was working as Drawing Master, expired on 4.8.1996. The date of birth of the appellant is 10.11.1986. As he was nearly 10 years of age at the time of death of his father, application seeking compassionate appointment was filed by the mother of the appellant on 28.4.1999, which was kept pending. The appellant attained the age of majority on 10.11.2004. Vide communication dated 10.10.2005, the matter was referred by the District Education Officer to the Director, Secondary Education. The writ petition was filed in the year 2016 claiming compassionate appointment.

In the aforesaid factual matrix, where the appellant attained the age of majority on 10.11.2004 and even if taken from the date the matter

was referred to the Director, Secondary Education by the District Education

Officer on 10.10.2005 for consideration of the case of the appellant for compassionate appointment, the writ petition filed more than 10 years thereafter has rightly been dismissed on account of delay and laches, as the compassionate appointment is not an additional source of recruitment, rather, it is to provide immediate succor to the family of the deceased employee.

In our opinion, there is no merit in the present appeal. The same is, accordingly, dismissed. Consequently, the application for condonation of delay is also dismissed.

(Rajesh Bindal)
Judge

(B. S. Walia)
Judge

24.4.2018
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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No