

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

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**CM No. 349 of 2018 and
CM No. 350 of 2018 in/and
CWP No. 7880 of 2016
Date of Decision: 18.4.2018**

**Khattu Ji Para Medical Technology Educational & Research Society
(Regd.) and others**

.....Petitioners

v.

Union of India and others

.....Respondents

CORAM HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAKESH KUMAR JAIN

Present:- Mr. R.K. Malik, Senior Advocate with
Mr. Samrat Malik, Advocate, for the petitioners

Mr. Lokesh Narang, Standing counsel for UOI

Mr. Navdeep Chhabra, DAG, Punjab

Mr. Saurabh Mohunta, DAG, Haryana

RAKESH KUMAR JAIN, J.

CM No. 349 of 2018 :

This application is filed for placing on record reply by way of additional affidavit of Dr. K.P. Krishnan, Secretary, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Government of India, on behalf of respondent No. 1.

Application is allowed and the additional affidavit is taken on record.

CM No. 350 of 2018 :

This application is filed by Dr. K.P. Krishnan, Secretary, Ministry

of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Government of India, for seeking exemption from his personal appearance.

For the reasons mentioned in the application, the same is hereby allowed. Personal presence of Dr. K.P. Krishnan is exempted.

Main Case :

This petition is preferred by three colleges/trusts seeking a writ in the nature of mandamus for a direction to the respondents to pay/reimburse the Post Matric Scholarship, admissible to the SC/ST candidates who have studied in the petitioners institutions without any charges.

Learned Senior counsel for the petitioners has submitted that the Post Matric Scholarship Scheme is a Central Scheme for which the amount is to be paid from the Central Funds. The petitioners have appended the list of the students, for the session August 2014 to July 2015, who have studied in their institutions, as Annexure P-2 (collectively) and submitted that respondents No.1 and 2 have yet not paid/reimburse the amount to which the institutions are entitled to.

Mr. Lokesh Narang, Advocate appearing on behalf of respondents No.1 and 2 has suggested that this Court may dispose of this writ petition with a direction to respondents No.1 and 2 to take a decision on the entitlement of the petitioners.

Learned Senior counsel appearing for the petitioners has agreed to the suggestion made by respondent No.1 but submitted that instructions be issued to respondents No.1 and 2 to decide it expeditiously.

Consequently, the present petition is hereby disposed of by converting this writ petition into a representation with a direction to respondents No.1 and 2 to take a decision on the same, if need be, after giving

an opportunity of hearing to the petitioners or their representatives, within a period of one month from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

(RAKESH KUMAR JAIN)
JUDGE

18.4.2018
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Speaking/Reasoned	Yes/No
Reportable	Yes/No