

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

CWP No.4633 of 2018
Date of decision: 26.02.2018

Pankaj Chauhan

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN PALLI

Present: Mr. Jagbir Malik, Advocate for the petitioner.

ARUN PALLI, J. (Oral)

The petitioner was appointed to the post of Post Graduate Teacher (PGT) Biology on regular basis, and he joined on 08.07.2009. He was confirmed, pursuant to an order dated 20.01.2011 (Annexure P15). He purports to have qualified M.Sc. with more than 50% marks, and have 8 years' experience as Lecturer. And, for the past over one year, he is officiating as Principal, and is thus eligible for promotion to the post of Principal w.e.f. 07.07.2017. The petitioner is alleged to have even represented to the respondents, vide representation dated 30.05.2017 (Annexure P17). But to no avail. Rather, respondent No.4, pursuant to an advertisement dated 18.06.2017 (Annexure P18), had advertised the post of Principal, which is sought to be filled by way of direct recruitment. The written test for the purpose of selection to the post in question has already been conducted on 25.02.2018. The limited grievance that the petitioner has is; the post of Principal was required to be filled, in the first instance by way of promotion, transfer or deputation.

That being so, the petition is disposed of, at this stage, only with a direction to the respondents to consider and decide the grievance/claim of the petitioner, as also his representation dated 30.05.2017 (Annexure P17), within a period of 8 weeks from the receipt of certified copy of this order. And pass appropriate orders in accordance with law. Needless to assert that in the event the claim of the petitioner is declined, the respondent authority shall pass a comprehensive order assigning reasons in support thereof.

26.02.2018
Rajan

(Arun Palli)
Judge

Whether speaking / reasoned:	YES
Whether Reportable:	NO