

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

Letters Patent Appeal No. 1123 of 2017 (O&M) in
CWP No. 20040 of 2016
Date of decision: 22.1.2018

Dr. Navjot Kaur

.. Appellant

v.

State of Punjab and others

.. Respondents

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

Present: Mr. Vikas Chatrath, Advocate for the appellant.

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Rajesh Bindal J.

The order dated 6.10.2016 passed by the learned Single Judge, whereby the appellant's challenge to the selections and appointments to the post of Ayurvedic Medical Officer against Loco-Motor Disability (Ortho) in excess of the advertised quota, was rejected, has been impugned in the present intra-court appeal.

The facts, which are not in dispute are that advertisement was issued in June, 2010 and the selections were finalised in July, 2013. The writ petition was filed in the year 2016 challenging the selections made. The same has been dismissed on the ground of delay and laches.

It is sought to be argued that the matter was under consideration with the department, hence, the delay should not be fatal,

however, we are not convinced with the argument. Once the selections were finalised in July, 2013 and the selected candidates joined service, even if the appellant had made any representation, she should have approached the court within reasonable time and not after three years, as was done in the present case.

There is no error in the order passed by the learned Single Judge. Accordingly, the appeal is dismissed. Consequently, the accompanying applications are also dismissed.

(Rajesh Bindal)
Judge

(B. S. Walia)
Judge

22.1.2018
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Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether reportable:	Yes/No