

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

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**LPA No. 2183 of 2017 (O&M) in
C.W.P No. 10098 of 2012
Date of Decision: 28.03.2018**

Satyavart

..... Appellant

Versus

State of Haryana & Ors.

.....Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJESH BINDAL
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL**

Present:- Ms. Bhupinder Kaur, Advocate, for the appellant

Rajesh Bindal, J

Order passed by learned Single Judge dismissing the writ petition has been impugned by filing the present intra-court appeal. An application seeking condonation of delay of 155 days in filing thereof has also been filed.

The appellant was a candidate for the post of Sub Divisional Agricultural Development Officer, interview for which was held on 10.10.2007 and the result was declared on 14.02.2008. As per own case of the appellant, the selected candidates were given appointment on 01.08.2008, however the appellant was ignored. On an inquiry it was found that he was not qualified for the job and writ petition was filed more than four years thereafter i.e. in the year 2012 claiming that the qualification of M.Sc (Genetics) is equivalent to the qualification prescribed in the advertisement i.e. M.Sc (Agriculture).

It is not in dispute that neither the advertisement nor the Rules provide that qualification required for the post i.e. M.Sc (Genetics) can be M.Sc (Agriculture) or its equivalent. In the absence thereof, the employer has not committed any error in not considering the appellant eligible for the post.

Learned Single Judge has further referred to an earlier order passed by a Division Bench in C.W.P No. 14599 of 2008, *Anand Parkash Vs. State of Haryana and another*, decided on 20.08.2008, where for the same selection, the writ petitioner therein claimed that his qualification of M.Sc Dairy Extension Education should be treated as equivalent to M.Sc (Agriculture). Same argument was raised regarding equivalency of the qualification. The plea was declined.

In view of the aforesaid facts and matrix, we do not find any error in the order passed by the learned Single Judge. The appeal is accordingly dismissed. Consequently, the application seeking condonation of delay of 155 days in filing the appeal is also dismissed.

(RAJESH BINDAL)
JUDGE

(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE

March 28, 2018
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Whether speaking/reasoned	: Yes/No
Whether Reportable	: Yes/No