

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

**CWP-1830-2019 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 23.01.2019**

Prachi

... Petitioner

Versus

Central Board of Secondary Education

... Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.

Present: Mr. Rajesh Lamba, Advocate for the petitioner.

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TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J. (ORAL)

The instant writ petition has been filed by Prachi (minor) through her natural guardian and father Ravinder Singh.

As per pleadings on record, petitioner had appeared in the All India Senior School Certificate Examination, 2018 conducted by the Central Board of Secondary Education. Result of the examination was declared and the petitioner is stated to have secured 472 out of 500 i.e. 94.2%. Apparently, the petitioner was not satisfied with the score secured in English Core subject inspite of having secured 86 marks out of a total of 100. Accordingly, the petitioner submitted an application to be provided with a photocopy of the evaluated answer book as also re-evaluation in subject Code 301 English Core.

Instant writ petition is directed against the communication at Annexure P-6 and in terms of which the petitioner has been informed that in pursuance to the exercise of re-evaluation, no mistake has been found. A writ of mandamus is also sought for directing the respondents/Board to provide to the petitioner a copy of the re-evaluated answer sheet pertaining

to English Core subject as also marks pursuant to the exercise of re-evaluation.

Having heard counsel for the petitioner at length, this Court is of the considered view that the prayers raised in the instant petition are not well founded and cannot be accepted.

Admittedly, the petitioner had sought a photocopy of the evaluated answer sheet pertaining to English Core subject as also re-evaluation thereof as per a schedule issued by the respondent/Board at Annexure P-2. Perusal of the schedule would reveal that it was issued for the purpose of verification of marks, providing photocopy of evaluated answer book and re-evaluation for Classes X and XII, 2018 Examinations. Under such schedule, a student who has undertaken the examination pertaining to either Class X or Class XII is given an opportunity to apply for verification of marks i.e. essentially towards rechecking if there be any mistake that has occurred in the totalling of marks. That apart, as per schedule, a student may obtain a photocopy of the evaluated answer sheet as also seek re-evaluation on deposit of regular charges.

Petitioner sought a photocopy of the evaluated answer sheet pertaining to English Core subject. The same was duly supplied to her. She also sought re-evaluation of such subject by deposit of requisite fee. The respondent/Board has conducted the re-evaluation exercise of English Core subject and has informed the petitioner that no mistake had been found and as such the score/marks would remain the same.

Under the schedule at Annexure P-2 which had been issued by the respondent/Board, there is no provision for supply of the answer sheets

upon re-evaluation having been conducted. In the absence of any such provision in such regard, prayer of the petitioner cannot be accepted.

Even the second prayer made by the petitioner to provide re-evaluated marks is found to be wholly redundant inasmuch the impugned communication (Annexure P-6) has been issued after conduct of re-evaluation and informs the petitioner that no mistake has been found. In other words, her initial score i.e. 86 marks out of 100 in the English Core subject would remain intact.

There is no merit in the petition.

Dismissed.

23.01.2019

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(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

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| i) | Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes/No |
| ii) | Whether reportable? | Yes/No |