

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

CWP No.3117 of 2019
Date of decision:-07.02.2019

Gurdarshan Singh

.....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

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

Present:- Mr. Vishal Sodhi, Advocate for the petitioner.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J.(ORAL)

Petitioner seeks a mandamus for directing the respondents to issue to him the final Degree Certificate pertaining to the Course of B.Sc. (IT) a three years Course.

Having heard counsel at length and having perused the pleadings on record, this Court is of the considered view that prayer raised in the petition is wholly untenable and rather misconceived.

Pleaded case of the petitioner is that he had approached the respondent No.3 i.e. Shri Ram Information Solutions an authorized centre of Punjab InfoTech, SAS Nagar, Mohali, for admission in the B.Sc. IT, (three years Course programme). It is claimed that respondent No.3 is an authorized study centre of Punjab Information and Communication Technology Corporation Ltd. and is also affiliated to the Punjab Technical University, Jalandhar.

The submission raised by counsel is that after completing one year of the Course under the aegis of Punjab Technical, University,

Jalandhar, respondent No.3-Centre got the petitioner enrolled with the respondent No.4-University i.e. The Karnataka State Open University, Mysore, for the remaining two years course. It is vehemently contended that the remaining two years course was also completed in the year 2009 and inspite of successfully negotiating the same, the degree is not forthcoming. An argument was sought to be developed that the Karnataka State Open University, had issued a public notice dated 16.06.2017 and in terms of which in purported compliance of the directives issued by the UGC, the University had terminated the MOUs entered with the Academic Collaborative Institutions (ACIs) in terms of a notification dated 15.06.2017. Counsel urges that such public notice could not work to the prejudice of the present petitioner as he had completed his three years Course much prior in point of time i.e.in the year 2009 itself.

The submission raised by counsel is wholly misplaced.

It is the case of the petitioner himself that he had enrolled for the B.Sc.(IT) three years Course in the year 2007 and completed the first two semesters (one year) from Punjab Technical University, Jalandhar. Upon a query having been put to counsel to substantiate such assertion, counsel has adverted to the documents placed on record at Annexures P1 and P-2, which would clearly reveal that the petitioner had been awarded a diploma in Computer Programming having a duration of one year. Documents at Annexures P-1 and P-2 do not in any manner relate to the first year of a three years Degree Course of B.Sc.(IT). Pleadings on record do not reveal that as to under what circumstances after having been awarded a Diploma in Computer Programming of one year, the petitioner took admission in the second year of B.Sc.(IT) three years Degree Course. Counsel has been

unable to explain such situation and circumstance.

In view of the above, the prayer of the petitioner for issuance of the degree cannot be accepted.

That apart there would be an issue of inordinate delay in having invoked the writ jurisdiction of this Court. As per petitioner he had completed the three years Course in the year 2009. Grievance portrayed is that the degree has not been issued to him. Instant petition has seen the light of the delay in the year 2019.

No scope for interference is made out.

Petition is dismissed.

(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No