

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

CWP No.3468 of 2019 (O&M)

Date of Decision:8.2.2019

Vikas Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

The Registrar General, Punjab and Haryana High Court at Chandigarh and  
another

... Respondents

**CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJIV NARAIN RAINA**

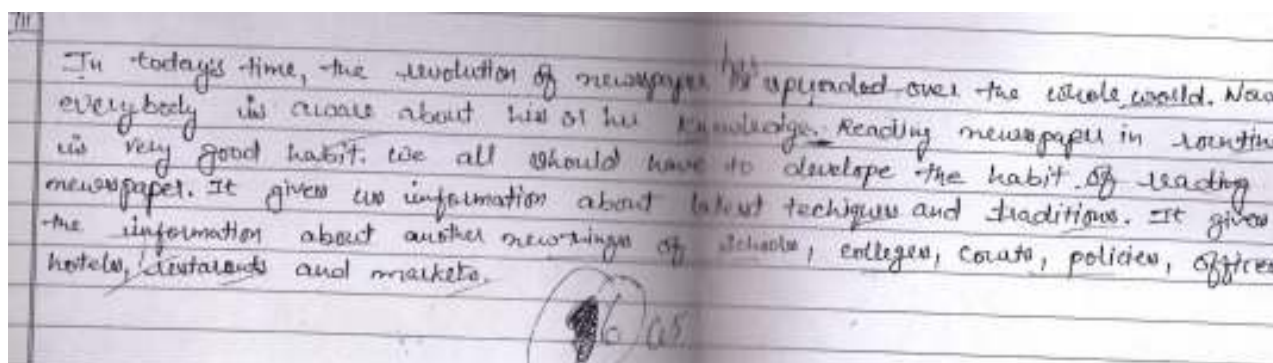
Present: Mr.Abhimanyu Singh, Advocate for the petitioner

**RAJIV NARAIN RAINA, J.**

1. The petitioner appeared in the examination conducted for the post of Clerk advertised by the Society for Centralised Recruitment for Staff in Subordinate Courts of Haryana notifying 327 vacancies, out of which 133 were meant for general category candidates. The recruitment process was initiated through employment notice dated 24.12.2016. The examination was conducted on 26.3.2017. The written examination consisted of both objective type test as well as descriptive papers comprising general knowledge and command of English language. When the result was declared, his name did not figure in the list of successful candidates. To cut it short, he obtained information under the Right to Information Act, 2005 by his application dated 26.12.2018. His answer sheet No.225959 of Question Booklet No.323076 was provided to him. He has placed the photocopy at Annex. P-5 in the paper book. He obtained 9, 4 and 6 marks in Questions A to C. There is visible over-writing on the figure 6 for Question C. Some figure has been converted to read 6 marks.

paper checker. There is a consequential cutting in the addition of total marks both in words and figures. This has caused grave suspicion in the mind of the petitioner which has led to the filing of this petition. The figure "22" had been scored out and in its place, the figure "19" has been written. Below the figures beneath the cutting, one can easily discern the number "22" written in long-hand which have been scored out and instead the word "nineteen" has been written in long hand. If he had scored 22 marks, he would have made it on merit. I asked the learned counsel to point out to Question "C" (which is described as "III" in the answer booklet) to see what his client wrote in answer to that question. Question III is not available on record, but what the petitioner wrote in answer to the question is available on record supplied under the RTI Act by the PIO of the High Court. The examiner has scored out beneath the figure (which is not discernible) and along side, 6 marks out of 10 have been assigned.

The scanned copy of Answer III attempted by the petitioner is as under:-



2. A bare perusal of the above answer leaves one in doubt that even 6 marks out of 10 were not deserving, given the quality of the response. I think the examiner was very generous in awarding 6 marks for the third question which carried 10 marks. Even if the petitioner is given 7 marks he fails to make the cut. He needs an extra three marks before he makes equal to the cut off. If the petitioner expects 9 marks out of 10 for this attempt, he is sadly mistaken.

3. In view of the above, I find no merit in this petition which is accordingly dismissed *in limine*.

8.2.2019  
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(RAJIV NARAIN RAINA)  
JUDGE

*Whether speaking/reasoned*

*Yes/No*

*Whether Reportable*

*Yes/No*