

Sr. No.515

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

CWP No.19264 of 1997 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 06.11.2019

Anju Bala

... Petitioner

Versus

The Principal, Giani Zail Singh College of Engineering and
Technology, Bathinda and another

... Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present:- Mr. Saroj Malakar, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

None for the respondents.

ARUN MONGA, J.(ORAL)

Inter alia, issuance of a writ in the nature of certiorari has been sought to quash an order dated 03.12.1997 (Annexure P-5) and advertisement dated 13.12.1997 (Annexure P-6) which was published to invite applications for the post of Lecturers in various streams including Humanities. The petitioner had applied and participated in the process of selection in earlier advertisement for the post of Lecturer in Humanities in Giani Zail Singh of Engineering and Technology at Bathinda.

2. Having heard arguments of learned counsel for the petitioner and after perusal of the writ petition along with record appended thereto, I am of the view that by sheer efflux of time, the relief sought by the petitioner has been rendered infructuous.

Even otherwise, assuming age of the petitioner at the time of

applying for the said post of Lecturer was on or about 25 years, she surely is way beyond the upper age limit prescribed for appointment to the said post. The date of birth of the petitioner is stated to be 06.02.1965 and, accordingly, as on today she is 54 years old and her claim for appointment cannot be accepted on that ground alone.

3. Be that as it may, vide order dated 19.01.2017, this Court had recorded submission of learned counsel for the respondent-College that the entire selection process which was envisaged vide advertisement dated 13.12.1997 impugned herein was cancelled as far back in the year 1997.

4. The said statement has neither been controverted by the petitioner nor there is anything on record to show that pursuant to the impugned advertisement, the same was indeed carried out.

5. In view of the above, writ petition is dismissed being devoid of merit.

06.11.2019

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**(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether Reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No