

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

CWP No. 8879 of 2019

Date of decision : 02.04.2019

Rakesh Rani & ors.

....Petitioners

V/s

State of Punjab & ors.

....Respondents

BEFORE : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJAN GUPTA

Present: Mr. Sukhdev Kamboj, Advocate for the petitioners.

RAJAN GUPTA J.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of court, Ms. Anu Chatrath, Addl. A.G. Punjab, who is present in court, accepts notice on behalf of official respondent(s).

Petitioners are seeking a writ of mandamus to direct the respondents to consider their cases for appointment pursuant to advertisements (Annexure P-2 or P-4) as they claim to have cleared the Teachers Eligibility Test as per the revised result.

Admittedly some appointments were made on the basis of result declared earlier. An anomalous situation has arisen as to the entitlement of the petitioners for appointment on the basis of revised result and the right of the persons, appointed on the basis of earlier result, to continue in service.

A query has been put to State counsel whether a committee of senior officers headed by the Chief Secretary can consider the entire issue and take a just and fair decision under the circumstances. She submits that there is no impediment in such an exercise.

Under the circumstances, present petition is disposed of with a direction that a committee of three officers headed by Chief Secretary shall be constituted to consider the claim of the petitioners as well as related issues. A decision shall be taken within two months and the petitioners be informed accordingly. The committee would also take into consideration the consolidated affidavit filed in CWP Nos. 24341 & 29601 of 2017 while arriving at its decision.

April 02, 2019

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(RAJAN GUPTA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether reportable:

Yes/No