

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

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CWP-4402-2014

Date of decision : February 04, 2019

Navpreet Kaur

...Petitioner

versus

Indian Oil Corporation and another

...Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present : Ms. Binayjeet Sheoran Virk, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. M.S.Rana, Advocate, for
Mr. Ashish Kapoor, Advocate
for respondent-Indian Oil Corporation (IOC).

ARUN MONGA, J. (ORAL)

1. Vide advertisement dated 18.09.2006 (Annexure P1), respondent No.1-Indian Oil Corporation (IOC), had allotted the Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) distributorship to respondent No.2.

2. Learned counsel for respondent No.1-IOC states that validity of merit panel is only for one year from the date of commissioning of distributorship. He further submits that assuming the prayer of the petitioner was to be allowed for considering his documents, which, he contends, were submitted after cut off date, even then his interview cannot be conducted as the merit panel has since been dissolved after conducting the interview pursuant to the advertisement dated 18.09.2006 (Annexure P1).

3. I am inclined to accept the contention of learned counsel for respondent No.1/IOC, as the prayer of the petitioner is not within one year from the date of commissioning.

4. In view of the aforesaid facts and circumstances, there is hardly any scope for interference in this petition. Hence, the present petition stands dismissed as infructuous.

5. In case, it is found that the allotment of distributorship of LPG agency was not commissioned and the merit panel is still functional, the petitioner would be at liberty to reopen her case and seek mitigation of her grievance, in accordance with law.

(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No