

Sr. No. 216

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

**CWP No.9101 of 2016 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 07.05.2019**

Dr. Vinit Prakash

... Petitioner

Versus

Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar

... Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present:- Mr. Raman Sharma, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Ms. Isha Goyal, Advocate,
for the respondent.

ARUN MONGA, J.(ORAL)

The petitioner, *inter alia*, seeks quashing of an advertisement dated 20.04.2016 (Annexure P-1) issued for the post of 'Assistant Professor' Chemistry in the respondent-University.

2. Petitioner has challenged the selection criteria advertised wherein out of aggregate of 100 marks, 25 have been assigned for academic record, 25 for research performance, 30 for assessment of domain knowledge and teaching skills and 20 for interview.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the selection criteria allowed the respondent-University to have a free play of 75 marks out of 100, leading to arbitrariness whereby the academic record of a candidate would be completely overshadowed.

4. Per contra, learned counsel for the respondent, at the threshold, submits that the said challenge is rendered completely infructuous as during pendency of the writ petition, respondent-University has revised the criteria for selection to the post of 'Assistant Professor' (Chemistry). The revised criteria has been placed on record vide Annexure R-13. The said criteria has not been challenged by the petitioner. The present writ petition is, therefore, liable to be dismissed on that short ground.

5. I am in agreement with the argument canvassed by the learned counsel for the respondent-University and, therefore, do not find it necessary to interfere in the present proceedings.

6. Writ petition is, accordingly, dismissed as infructuous with liberty to the petitioner to challenge the revised criteria Annexure R-13, if so advised.

07.05.2019

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**(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether Reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No