

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT  
CHANDIGARH

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CWP No.27346 of 2019 (O&M)  
DECIDED ON : 16.12.2019

RITIK

...Petitioner

versus

CENTRAL BOARD OF SCHOOL EDUCATION, REGIONAL  
OFFICE, SECTOR 5, PANCHKULA.

...Respondent

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE GIRISH AGNIHOTRI

Present : Mr. Sameer Sachdeva, Advocate  
for the petitioner.

Mr. Naveen Chopra, Advocate  
for respondent-CBSE.

**GIRISH AGNIHOTRI, J. (ORAL)**

The present petition has been filed by petitioner-Ritik, *inter alia*, praying for directions to the respondents to make the necessary changes qua the name of mother of the petitioner in matriculation certificate from 'NEHA' to 'MEENA KUMARI'.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that after the matriculation examination were held in the year 2017, the petitioner has passed his Senior Secondary Examination in 2019. In the detailed marks certificate issued by CBSE for all India Senior School Certificate Exam 2019, the name of the mother has been correctly recorded as 'MEENA KUMARI'.

It is also the case of the petitioner that request for correction in the name has been made within 5 years of the cause of action.

On this basis, learned counsel for the petitioner humbly prays that an appropriate direction be given to the authority to correct the name of his mother in the matriculation certificate (Annexure P-2) also. He further relies upon Birth certificate (Annexure P-1) which also record the mother's name as 'MEENA KUMARI @ NEHA'.

Learned counsel for the respondent, has handed over a photocopy of reply dated 15.11.2019. He refers to Annexure R-1 wherein in column 4-A which was the application for admission, the mother's name has been mentioned as 'Mrs. NEHA'. He then also refers to Annexure R-2 which is admission and withdrawal register of the school. In this also, the name of the mother has been mentioned as 'NEHA'. Learned counsel further refers to the provisions dated 01.02.2018 which are in the form of notification Annexure R-3. He while specifically referring to para 69.1 and 69.3, contends that the petitioner and the school ought to have given correct names.

This Court considering the fact that the petitioner has already cleared 12<sup>th</sup> examination (the certificate to that effect has already appended as Annexure P-3) and in this detailed marks certificate of Senior School Certificate examination of 2019, the name of the mother has been correctly recorded as 'MEENA KUMARI' by the CBSE itself. It is, therefore, directed that the Competent Authority may take into consideration the subsequent facts that in the detailed marks certificate issued by the respondent-CBSE itself in 2019, the name of the mother correctly recorded as 'MEENA KUMARI' and in view of the submissions made by the petitioner as noticed above, the authorities are directed to reconsider the matter for correction of the name in the matriculation certificate and pass an appropriate order.

Since the learned counsel for the petitioner has prayed that the petitioner has appeared in IELTS exams and his passport application has been withheld because of the variation in the name of the mother in the 10<sup>th</sup> and 10+2 examinations, this Court is inclined to direct the Authority to take the decision expeditiously, in any case within two weeks, from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

Writ petition, is accordingly disposed of.

**December 16, 2019**

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**(GIRISH AGNIHOTRI)  
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : YES/NO

Whether reportable : YES/NO