

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

CWP-(PIL)-69-2020 (O&M)

Date of decision:- 03.07.2020

H.C. Arora, Advocate

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAVI SHANKER JHA, CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN PALLI

Present:- Mr. H.C. Arora, Advocate (petitioner-in-person).

Mr. Pardeep Singh Bajwa, Additional Advocate General, Punjab.

Mr. Satya Pal Jain, Additional Solicitor General of India,
with Ms. Alisha Arora, Advocate,
for respondent No. 3 – UOI.

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RAVI SHANKER JHA, C.J. (ORAL)

With the consent of learned counsel for the parties, the matter is being taken up and heard via video conferencing (Webex App software).

This petition has been filed by the petitioner, who is appearing in person, by way of public interest praying for a direction to the State of Punjab to exempt the pregnant women employees and also those women employees who have very small children and the persons with co-morbidities from discharging active duties in office till the threat of corona virus is completely finished in view of the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs from time to time.

Mr. Pardeep Singh Bajwa, learned Additional Advocate General, Punjab, appearing for respondents No. 1 and 2, submits that though the State of Punjab is taking full care to follow the Ministry of Home Affairs' Guidelines and protect the lives of all citizens, the representation dated 18.05.2020 (Annexure P-4) already moved by the petitioner shall be considered and, if so required, an appropriate decision thereon shall be taken expeditiously and in accordance with law.

In view of the statement made by learned Additional Advocate General, Punjab, the petition stands disposed of with liberty to the petitioner to approach the authorities concerned.

(RAVI SHANKER JHA)
CHIEF JUSTICE

(ARUN PALLI)
JUDGE

03.07.2020

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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No