

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

COCP No.1209 of 2020  
Date of Decision : 10.07.2020

Ashok Kumar

....Petitioner

Versus

Rahul Bhandari and Ors.

....Respondents

**Before: Hon'ble Mr. Justice B.S. Walia**

Present: Mr. Sameer Sachdeva, Advocate for the petitioner.  
Ms. Anu Pal, DAG, Punjab.

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**B.S. Walia, J. (VC)**

[1] Case is being taken up for hearing through Video Conferencing due to the outbreak of pandemic Covid-19.

[2] Grievance is with regard to non-compliance with orders of this Court dated 17.01.2020 (Annexure P/1) passed in CWP No.27063 of 2017.

[3] Learned DAG, Punjab has filed reply stating that the orders of the Writ Court dated 17.01.2020 in CWP No.27063 of 2017 were complied with as the post in question was advertised on 31.03.2020 and thereafter, on 22.05.2020 whereas the interview in respect thereto was held on 28.05.2020. However, the petitioner did not apply in response to the advertisement whereas the earlier incumbent of said post who had applied was selected and appointed. Learned DAG further states that w.e.f. 07.07.2020, the selected candidate stands relieved on account of non-conduct of classes due to the Covid pandemic, and it has been decided that when classes commence again, fresh advertisement would be given in accordance with law for filling up the post in question.

[4] In the light of the aforementioned position, learned counsel for the petitioner prays for liberty to the petitioner to challenge the action of respondent No.3 in accordance with law.

[5] In the circumstances, no further orders are called for in the contempt petition and the same is disposed of as such while granting

liberty to the petitioner to challenge the action of respondent No.3 in accordance with law.

10.07.2020

Amit/Rajesh

(B.S. Walia)  
Judge

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No