

HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

114 - CWP No.20855 of 2020 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 04.12.2020

Anil Kumar & Ors.

... Petitioners

VS.

State of Punjab & Ors.

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE GIRISH AGNIHOTRI

Present: Mr. Vivek Arora, Advocate for the petitioners

Mr. Suveer Sheokhand, Addl. AG Punjab

GIRISH AGNIHOTRI, J. (Oral)

The matter has been taken up through video conferencing on account of lockdown due to outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic.

The petitioner Anil Kumar and 2 others have filed the present petition *inter alia* with a prayer directing the respondent No.6 to decide their representation dated 29.10.2020.

Learned counsel based upon the pleadings submits that in June, 2020, the Department of School Education, Government of Punjab had issued advertisement for recruitment to 173 posts of Principals. In para 6 of the petition, it has been pleaded that though the petitioners had applied for the said post, they apprehend that at the time of verification of documents, their candidature may be questioned/cancelled.

Learned counsel at this stage, submits that the petitioner No.2 along with two others had submitted a written representation dated 29.10.2020 but the same has not been decided till date. He further submits that he would submit another comprehensive representation on behalf of other petitioners i.e. petitioners No.1 & 3 within one week from today. He thus

makes an oral request that the competent authority be directed to decide the same in accordance with law.

Notice of motion.

On the asking, Mr. Suveer Sheokhand, Addl. AG Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondents.

Having heard learned counsel for the parties and without commenting upon the merits of the case, this Court deems it appropriate to dispose of the writ petition by directing the competent authority to consider and decide the petitioner's claim as raised in their representation dated 29.10.2020 and subsequent representation, if any, to be submitted within one week from today on behalf of other petitioners, in accordance with law, as early as possible and preferably within two month from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

04.12.2020

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1. *Whether speaking/reasoned?*
2. *Whether reportable?*

(Girish Agnihotri)
Judge

Yes/No
Yes/No