

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

CWP-698-2021 (O&M)
Date of decision:- 13.01.2021

Kanwaljeet Singh

...Petitioner (s)

Versus

Panjab University, Chandigarh and another

...Respondent(s)

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

Present: Mr. Vipin Kumar, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Govind Goel, Advocate,
for respondent No. 1.

(The aforesaid presence is being recorded through video conferencing since the proceedings are being conducted in virtual Court)

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RAVI SHANKER JHA, C.J. (ORAL)

This petition has been filed by the petitioner challenging the circular/notice dated 20.11.2020 (Annexure P-4) for admitting only those students for M.Phil/Ph.D. for the academic session 2020-2021 who have cleared any of the national tests like UGC-CSIR NET including JRF, SLET, GATE or any other prestigious test for national level scholarship/fellowship and thereby exempting the entrance test.

The petitioner has also challenged the admission schedule dated 30.12.2020 (Annexure P-7), whereby the eligibility of students for admission to Ph.D./M.Phil is to be ascertained in accordance with the circular dated 20.11.2020.

The petitioner further seeks a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to conduct entrance test as per the University Grants Commission's notifications dated 05.05.2016 (Annexure P-5) and 16.10.2018 (Annexure P-6) and declare result of the petitioner for the 4th semester of M.A. Philosophy.

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner has already made representations dated 03.10.2020 (Annexure P-8) and 05.01.2021 (Annexure P-9) before the respondent-authorities which are pending consideration.

Mr. Govind Goel, learned counsel appearing for respondent No. 1 - university submits that they shall consider and pass a

detailed order on the representations filed by the petitioner expeditiously and communicate the same to the petitioner.

In view of the aforesaid statement made by learned counsel for the respondent No. 1 – university, we do not find any reason to entertain the present petition which is disposed of. It is made clear that this Court has not expressed any opinion on the merits of the case and, therefore, the authorities would be at liberty to examine the matter keeping all facts and facets into consideration and thereafter accept or reject the same in accordance with law.

(RAVI SHANKER JHA)
CHIEF JUSTICE

(ARUN PALLI)
JUDGE

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