

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

Sr. No.113

CWP No.702 of 2021

DATE OF DECISION: January 13, 2021

AMAN NARULA

..PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

...RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUDHIR MITTAL

Present: Mr. Maneet Kumar Arya, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

SUDHIR MITTAL, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner participated in PSTET, 2011 held for the post of Master/Mistress. He secured 89 marks out of 150 marks whereas cut off was 90 marks. Certain candidates approached this Court with the grievance that wrong questions were part of the question paper. This Court held in their favour and referred the matter to a Committee for taking a decision regarding the benefit to which the candidates were entitled. The said Committee resolved to grant 03 grace marks to all the candidates. Thus, the petitioner secured total of 92 marks and made the cut. The revised result was issued sometime in the year 2017 whereafter, certain candidates approached this Court for appointment against existing vacancies. This Court again referred the matter to a Committee of three officers which decided against the candidates concerned.

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2. Admittedly, the case of the petitioner was not before the
aforementioned Committee of three officers and thus, it is evident that he
sat over the matter after declaration of revised result in the year 2017. His
representation is also dated 11.12.2020.

3. Although, similarly situated persons have been granted relief by
this Court, that was because they remained vigilant. After declaration of
revised result in 2017, they came to this Court and their cases were
examined by the Committee of three officers but rejected. Against the
rejection, they again approached this Court and thus, relief was granted to
them. The petitioner has not done so and his claim has consequently
become stale. At this stage, the writ petition is barred by delay and laches
and cannot be entertained.

4. Accordingly, the writ petition is dismissed.

January 13, 2021

Ankur

(SUDHIR MITTAL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes/No

Whether Reportable

Yes/No