

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP No.12067 of 2021
Date of decision: 08.07.2021

Sharman Khanna

.....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab and Ors.

....Respondents

CORAM: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Girish Agnihotri

Present: Mr. Jasbir Singh Mohri, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Maloo Chahal, DAG, Punjab.

*[The aforesaid presence is being recorded through video conferencing
since the proceedings are being conducted in virtual court on account of
restrictions due to COVID-19].*

GIRISH AGNIHOTRI, J. (Oral)

Petitioner – Sharman Khanna, stated to be aged 55 years, has filed the present writ petition *inter alia* with a prayer to direct the respondents to promote the petitioner to the rank of 'Sub Inspector' as per his seniority as he has not been considered despite having cleared the Upper School Course, along with further prayer to direct the respondents to decide the legal notice dated 08.02.2021 (Annexure P-8).

Learned counsel for the petitioner by making specific reference to para 11 of the petition submits that the persons who were lower in merit list as per result were promoted whereas the petitioner has not been considered and promoted.

Learned counsel then submits that for the same/similar grievance

petitioner had submitted a written representation to the respondent-department dated 15.01.2021 (Annexure P-6). Thereafter, he also got served a legal notice dated 08.02.2021 (Annexure P-8) upon the respondents, but till date no action has been taken.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of Court, Ms. Maloo Chahal, DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the official respondents-State.

In view of the above and without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.3/Competent Authority, to consider the legal notice dated 08.02.2021 (Annexure P-8), and decide the same in accordance with law, as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of 03 months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

Ordered accordingly.

(GIRISH AGNIHOTRI)
JUDGE

08.07.2021

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Whether speaking/ reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable:	Yes/No