

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

**CWP NO. 20762 OF 2021
DATE OF DECISION : 12.10.2021**

Lokesh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and another

...Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present : Mr. K. D. Sehra, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Saurabh Mohunta, DAG, Haryana.

(Presence marked through video conferencing).

ARUN MONGA, J. (ORAL)

Petitioner herein *inter-alia* seeks issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to consider his claim of additional marks under the socio-economic criteria.

2. *Prima facie* it appears that petitioner has appended the requisite information of his father having died in the year 2003 along with the application form, when he was less than 15-year old. And yet, additional five marks qua the same have not been awarded to him.

3. Notice of motion.

4. On advance service of copy of the petition, learned State counsel joins the proceedings and accepts notice on behalf of respondent-State of Haryana.

5. On a Court query, learned State counsel submits that result qua the post applied by the petitioner is yet to be declared.

6. In the premise, it is expected of the competent authority to look into the matter afresh and if upon verification, it is found that the death certificate of father of the petitioner is genuine and was indeed appended with the application form, benefit thereof be accorded to the petitioner in accordance with law. Till the taking of such an administrative decision by the competent authority, one post of Veterinary Livestock Development Assistant shall be kept reserved. Needless to say, in case of any adverse order, petitioner is at liberty to challenge the same in accordance with law.

7. Disposed of accordingly.

OCTOBER 12, 2021

Shalini

(ARUN MONGA)

JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No