

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP-PIL No. 188 of 2021 (O&M)
Date of decision:- 15.11.2021

Ameliorating IndiaPetitioner
Versus
State of Punjab and others ...Respondents

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

Present:- Lt. Col. Naresh Ghai, Advocate, for the petitioner.
Mr. P.S.Bajwa, Addl. Advocate General, Punjab.
Ms. Puneeta Sethi, Senior Panel Counsel for UOI.
(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, CHIEF JUSTICE (oral)

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the present petition has been filed in public interest against the act of the respondent-authorities in conducting the board examinations and charging examination fee on the ground that the same is in violation of the provisions of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009, specifically Section 30 which prohibits requirement of passing any board examination till completion of elementary education.

Having heard learned counsel for the petitioner, it is observed that under sections 31 and 32 of the said Act, monitoring of child's right to education as well as mechanism for redressal of grievances relating to rights of the child have been provided. Evidently, the petitioner has not invoked the said provisions of the Act.

From a perusal of the petition, it is evident that the petitioner has filed a representation dated 13.09.2021 (Annexure P-7) with regard to its grievances before the Secretary, Department of School Education, Government of India; the Secretary, School Education Department, Punjab as well as the Secretary, Punjab School Education Board, which is still

Learned Additional Advocate General appearing for the respondent-State of Punjab as well as learned Senior Panel Counsel appearing for the Union of India submit that the said representation filed by the petitioner shall be looked into and decided by the respondent-authorities expeditiously in accordance with law and the decision taken thereon would be communicated to the petitioner.

In view of the statement made by learned Additional Advocate General, Punjab as well as learned Senior Panel Counsel for the Union of India, the petition stands disposed of.

(RAVI SHANKER JHA)
CHIEF JUSTICE

(ARUN PALLI)
JUDGE

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