

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

CWP-14838-1999 (O&M)

Date of decision: May 19, 2022

Chattar Singh Gill and others

.....Petitioners

versus

State of Haryana and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present: Mr. R.K. Malik, Senior Advocate with
Mr. Sandeep Dhull, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. R.D. Sharma, DAG Haryana.

ARUN MONGA, J. (ORAL)

Petition was filed in the year 1999, *inter alia*, for issuance of a writ in the nature of Certiorari for calling the records relating to the Interview and Selection of Assistant Engineers (Civil) H.S.E. Class-II in P.W.D. (Irrigation Department) Haryana and result of the selection of Assistant Engineers, and after perusal of the same, the selection of candidates of General Category for the post of Assistant Engineer (Irrigation) Branch be quashed. Further prayer has been made for directing respondents No.1 and 2 to select the petitioners to the post of Assistant Engineers (Civil) H.S.E. Class-II, P.W.D. (Irrigation Department) Haryana.

2. Petition was admitted on 11.07.2002.

3. It seems that by sheer effluxion of time and pendency of the writ petition for more than 22 years before this Court, either it has been rendered infructuous or even otherwise the petitioners seem to have lost interest in

pursuing the same. Learned State counsel also submits that petitioners must have retired in the meanwhile.

4. In any case, it appears that even on merits, claim of the petitioners is not admissible in view of the following stand taken in Paras-1 and 2 of Preliminary Objection of the reply filed by respondent No.3-Haryana Public Service Commission, which is reproduced herein for ready reference:-

“1. That the process of selection and appointments to the post of Assistant Engineers (Civil) HSE Class-II PWD (Irrigation Branch) had been completed by the end of October, 1996, but the petitioners have approached the Hon’ble Court in the month of September, 1999. Hence the filing of the writ petition suffers from delay and deserves to be dismissed on this ground alone.

2. That from the perusal of the various paras of the writ petition, it appears that the petitioners have challenged the entire selection of the Assistant Engineers made by the Haryana Public Service Commission but they have not impleaded all the selected candidates who have been appointed on the basis of the aforesaid selection. Therefore, the writ petition is liable to be dismissed on the ground of not impleading all the selected candidates, who are necessary parties in the writ petition.”

5. I am in agreement with the stand taken by respondent No.3-HPSC as aforesaid. Neither any replication has been filed to the afore noted stand of the respondents nor any additional affidavit of any kind to controvert the same.

6. In view of the aforesaid, no grounds are made out to interfere.

7. Dismissed.

(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No