

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

CWP-3199-1998 (O&M)

Date of decision: April 27, 2022

Ram Dhari Malik

.....Petitioner

versus

State of Haryana and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present: Mr. Dhruv Mittal, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Rajesh Gaur, Additional AG Haryana.

ARUN MONGA, J. (ORAL)

Petitioner is seeking issuance of a writ in the nature of Mandamus directing the respondents to consider the petitioner in general category, with a further direction to consider the case of the petitioner for appointment as the Apprentice Signaller against 14 posts meant for the General category.

2. Petition was filed in the year 1998 and has been lying admitted ever since. When called for hearing, both learned counsels are unable to assist the Court for lack of instructions. Learned counsel for the petitioner states that despite attempts, his office could not contact the petitioner, whereas on the other hand learned counsel for the State submits that he made attempts to get instructions from the office representatives of the respondents, but for lack of any assistance, he is unable to address arguments.

3. It seems that by sheer effluxion of time and pendency of the writ petition for more than 23 years before this Court, it has been rendered infructuous and the petitioner seems to have lost interest in pursuing the same.

4. Be that as it may, writ petition is disposed of with liberty to the petitioner to file an appropriate application in case any cause of action still survives.

(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE

April 27, 2022
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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No