

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

CWP-20071-2001 (O&M)

Date of decision: November 21, 2022

Raj Pal

.....Petitioner

versus

State of Haryana and another

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present: Mr. Deepak Saini, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. R.D. Sharma, DAG Haryana.

ARUN MONGA, J. (ORAL)

Petition herein, *inter alia*, is for issuance of a writ in the nature of Mandamus directing the respondents to appoint the petitioner on the post of Helper as candidates lower in merit than the petitioner in the list dated 23.06.1995 (Annexure P-1) have already been given appointment on the said post.

2. Petition was admitted for hearing on 17.02.2003.

3. On the last date of hearing i.e., 11.10.2022, learned counsel for the petitioner sought time to ascertain whether the petitioner is still interested to be appointed as a helper.

On resumed hearing, learned counsel for the petitioner states that he is unable to assist the Court for lack of instructions. He states that despite repeated attempts, his office could not contact the petitioner. In the premise, no useful purpose would be served by issuing fresh notice to the petitioner as the same too would be an exercise in futility.

4. It seems that by sheer effluxion of time and pendency of the writ petition for more than 21 years before this Court, either it has been rendered infructuous or even otherwise the petitioner seems to have lost interest in pursuing the same.

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

6. Pending application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No