

**202 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

**CWP No. 7579 of 2021 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 22.09.2022.**

Arvind Kamboj and others

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and another

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU

Present: Ms. Sharon Padda, Advocate, for
Mr. Puneet Gupta, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

Mr. D.K.Singal, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU. J.

Present civil writ petition is filed under Article 226 of the Constitution, *inter-alia*, for directing the respondents to consider the candidature of petitioners for the posts of Junior Engineer (Mechanical) in pursuance of advertisement dated 17.03.2021 (P-1) on account of the fact that they are having higher qualification in the same line.

In response to notice of motion issued by this Court, reply by way of short affidavit of Sh. Amrik Singh, Under Secretary, Department of Water Resources, Punjab has already been filed along with notification dated 26.03.2021 (R-1) and paragraph No.4 thereof reads as under:-

“4. That it is apposite to mention here that after the filing of various writ petitions, a meeting was held by Principal Secretary (Personnel), Government of Punjab on 12.03.2021, in which it was decided to withdraw “the mandatory possessing basic qualification in terms of diploma in Mechanical Engineering as an essential qualification and allowed higher qualification i.e.

Degree/Masters in Engineering.” In this regard, the Department of Water Resources, Government of Punjab has informed vide its letter dated 26/03/2021 to respondent No.2 i.e. Punjab Public Service Commission, Patiala for amendment in the advertisement No.1 of 2021 for direct recruitment of Junior Engineers as follow:-

“Para No.4.0 Essential Qualification sub para 4.1(2) is considered to be withdrawn. Rest of the terms and conditions remain same.

A copy of the letter dated 26.03.2021 is appended herewith as Annexure R-1.”

In view of the aforesaid development, petitioners have been considered eligible; therefore, their grievance stands redressed. As a result thereof, learned counsel on instructions from petitioners does not press the petition any further.

Disposed off accordingly.

22.09.2022

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(MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No