

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

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CWP-15203-2022

Date of decision : 18.07.2022

Rupinder Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.. Respondents

CORAM :HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL

Present:- Ms. Balpreet Singh Sidhu, Advocate for the petitioner.

Anupinder Singh Grewal, J. (Oral)

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner had applied for the post of Steno-typist in response to the advertisement issued by respondent No.3. The petitioner was at serial No.5 in the merit list. Four posts including three in the general category and one for female candidate had been filled. Due to non-availability of a candidate under EWS (woman) category, the same was also converted to general category. One post under Ex-serviceman category is still vacant and as per the instructions issued by the State Government on 16.10.2019 (Annexure P-7), if a post remains unfilled due to non-availability of a candidate under Ex-serviceman (General) category, the same would be filled by a candidate from the general category. The petitioner is the next candidate to be appointed and in case of such a conversion, he would be entitled to appointment. She also submits that the petitioner has sent a legal notice (Annexure P-6) in this regard on 13.06.2022 to the respondents and submits that the petition be disposed of with a direction to respondent No.3 to consider and decide the same in a time bound manner.

Issue notice to the respondents.

At the asking of the Court, Ms. Rukhsar Dhindsa, AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents.

Heard. Without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.3 to consider and decide the legal notice (Annexure P-6) in accordance with law within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

July 18, 2022
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Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No