

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

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**CWP No.819 of 2017
Date of decision: 17.11.2022**

Manjinder Singh

...Petitioner

Vs.

State Of Punjab And Others

..Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE JAIRSHREE THAKUR

Present: Mr. GPS Bal, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Mohit Kapoor, Addl. AG, Punjab.

JAISHREE THAKUR, J.(ORAL)

1. The present writ petition has been filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India with a prayer for issuance of a writ orders or directions especially in the nature of certiorari for quashing the impugned order dated 17.02.2016 whereby the claim of the petitioner for promotion under Sports quota has been denied.

2. Counsel for the petitioner herein would contend that the petitioner has received various commendations including medals in games i.e. in Wrestling. He has participated in All India Police Games held at Madhuban 1998, Punjab Police Sports & Athletic Meet 1999, Junior Punjab Wrestling Championship Punjab Police Inter Zone Sports and Athletic Meet and other such events. He was brought on C-II Exemptee List from 2.5.1994 in District Faridkot. It is stated that 95 Constables were promoted to the rank of Head Constable from 1.11.1993 to 30.04.1994. The petitioner was the only Sports

Person in the District who excelled and fulfilled the conditions of promotion, but he was ignored. The petitioner filed an appeal against the action of the respondents in ignoring his claim for promotion of the petitioner against 5% quota for sports. There was a recommendation on the appeal filed by the petitioner in the year 1999 by the Deputy Inspector General of Police, Punjab Chandigarh, but the said promotion was never given. It is further contended that the Officer's Committee has recommended the case of S.I. Rashminder Singh for promotion under the Sports quota, whereas the petitioner's case for promotion has been consigned. The said S.I. Rashminder Singh had participated in National Junior Championship held in the year 1990 at Meerut and in Junior Championship held at Tripuri as well as National Junior Championship held in Imphal, whereas the petitioner had participated in many more sporting events.

3. This matter has been taken on several occasions and by an order dated 04.07.2022, the respondent-State has sought some time to file a response to the arguments raised by the counsel for the petitioner for consideration of his case at par with S.I. Rashminder Singh. The matter stood adjourned for 17.11.2022. Today this Court is informed that the petitioner has already put in an appearance before the Officer's Committee as constituted in terms of the judgement rendered in CWP No. 566 of 2010 titled as Ranjit Singh and Others Vs. State of Punjab and a decision would be taken shortly thereafter.

4. I have heard counsel for the parties and in view of the fact that the petitioner has put in an appearance before the Officer's Committee raising his grievance against denial of promotion under the Sports quota whereas others similarly situated have been granted the benefit this Court, this Court

deems to dispose of the present writ petition by directing the Officer's Committee to take into note the contentions of the petitioner and pass a speaking order thereon.

5. Let a copy of the speaking order be served upon the petitioner who would be at liberty to challenge the said decision afresh if he is still aggrieved.

6. In view of the above, writ petition stands disposed of with the said direction and liberty.

**(JAIRSHREE THAKUR)
JUDGE**

November 17, 2022.
Poonam Sharma

Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether reportable	:	Yes/No