

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

**CM-1742-LPA-2022 in/and
LPA-758-2015 (O & M)
Date of Decision: 23.11.2022**

Ashok Kumar

.....Appellant(s)

Versus

State of Haryana and others

....Respondent(s)

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE G.S.SANDHAWALIA
HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE HARPREET KAUR JEEWAN**

Present: Mr. APS Sandhu, Advocate, for the appellant.

Mr. Hitesh Pandit, Addl. A.G., Haryana,
for the applicant-respondent Nos.1 and 2.

Mr. Amit Rao, Advocate,
for respondent No.3.

G.S.SANDHAWALIA, J. (Oral)

CM-1742-LPA-2022

Application has been filed for placing on record short reply on behalf of respondent Nos.1 and 2 by way of affidavit of Joint Director, Administration on account of the fact that the writ petition was dismissed in *limine*.

Application is allowed, subject to all just exceptions.

Short reply is taken on record.

CM stands disposed of.

LPA-758-2015

The challenge in the writ petition was to the revised selection criteria for recruitment of Lecturers in private aided colleges in the State of Haryana (Annexure P-4) regarding the weightage which was to be given for the marks obtained in the subjects of Arts and Commerce group qua the Science group. The former had been given higher weightage than the Science group. The learned Single Judge had dismissed the writ petition on

04.05.2015 primarily on the ground that the answer in the Humanities can never be a completely correct answer and scoring in humanity stream is generally lower than in science with students of otherwise the same ability.

As per the affidavit now filed, in Para No.4., the criteria has been revised on 14.03.2017 and uniformity had been maintained. The relevant part reads thus:-

“4. That furthermore, in suppression of the impugned criteria dated 25.06.2013 the answering respondent department has issued the revised criteria dated 14.03.2017 (Annexure R-1) vide which uniformity has been maintained for all the candidates belonging to Arts (non-practical subjects) and Commerce stream and the Science stream by providing equal weightage of marks for obtaining equal number of marks. Hence, the present matter has been rendered infructuous. The present LPA, therefore, is liable to be dismissed on this ground alone.”

Keeping in view the above, we are of the considered opinion that the appeal has been rendered infructuous and the same is disposed of as such in view of the change in circumstances.

(G.S. SANDHAWALIA)
JUDGE

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(HARPREET KAUR JEEWAN)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No