

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

CWP No.25449 of 2022
Date of decision: 14.11.2022

Mange Ram

...Petitioner

Vs.

State of Haryana and others

...Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE RITU BAHRI
HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MANISHA BATRA**

Present: Mr. Nitin Meel, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Ankur Mittal, Addl. A.G., Haryana,
with Mr. Saurabh Mago, AAG, Haryana.

Ritu Bahri, J. (oral)

Petitioner is seeking setting aside of the order dated 21.09.2022 (Annexure P-2) passed by respondent No.2-Director General, Development and Panchayat Department, whereby post of Sarpanch in Gram Panchayat, Kuleri, has been reserved for the SC category.

Petitioner's grievance is that while reserving five (05) Gram Panchayats for SC Sarpanch in Block, Agroha, District Hisar, benefit of reservation has not been given to village Bhana, which is reflected at serial No.2 of the order dated 21.09.2022 (Annexure P-2).

A perusal of order dated 21.09.2022 (Annexure P-2) shows that village Bhana has 19.60% of SC population and five villages, which have been reserved for SC category, are having more population of Scheduled Caste. The last village i.e. Village Kuleri, which is reserved for SC category,

is having SC population to the extent of 20.91%, which is more than village Bhana (petitioner's village). It is not the case of petitioner that any of the above reserved villages were earlier reserved twice. As per prevalent rules, reservation has to be done in descending order. Since SC population in village Bhana is only 19.61%, which is lesser than village Kuleri, there is no mistake in passing of the impugned order dated 21.09.2022 (Annexure P-2).

No merits. Dismissed.

(RITU BAHRI)
JUDGE

(MANISHA BATRA)
JUDGE

14.11.2022
ajp

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