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CWP-4522-2023,
CWP-4548-2023 and
CWP-4561-2023

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

125 CWP-4519-2023
Date of decision : 03.03.2023

Sukhpal Singh
...Petitioner

Versus

Guru Nanak Dev University Amritsar and others
...Respondents

127 CWP-4522-2023
Date of decision : 03.03.2023

Sania Dogra
...Petitioner

Versus

Guru Nanak Dev University
...Respondent

133 CWP-4548-2023
Date of decision : 03.03.2023

Joy Sharma
...Petitioner

Versus

Guru Nanak Dev University
...Respondent

136 CWP-4561-2023
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...Petitioner

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Guru Nanak Dev University and another

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL

Present: Ms. Mandeep Kaur, Advocate for the petitioner
(In CWP-4519-2023)

Mr. Lalit Goyal, Advocate for the petitioner
(In CWP-4522-2023)

Mr. Amtiaz Sandhu, Advocate for the petitioner
(In CWP-4548-2023 and CWP-4561-2023)

Mr. M.K. Dogra, Advocate for the respondent(s)-University.

VIKAS BAHL, J. (ORAL)

By this common order, four writ petitions bearing Nos.CWP-4519-2023, CWP-4522-2023, CWP-4548-2023 and CWP-4561-2023 shall stand disposed of.

CWP-4519-2023 has been filed by Sukhpal Singh, CWP-4522-2023 has been filed by Sania Dogra, CWP-4548-2023 has been filed by Joy Sharma and CWP-4561-2023 has been filed by Parteek Sharma.

A common grievance has been raised in the present four writ petitions and prayer has been made for issuance of directions to the respondent-Guru Nanak Dev University to permit the petitioner(s) to deposit the fee for their respective semesters as on account of financial difficulty, the petitioner(s) were not able to deposit the fee for which the last

date was 10.02.2023 along with Rs.5000/- as late fee.

Learned counsel for the petitioner(s) have jointly submitted that the petitioner(s) are ready to deposit their respective semester fee along with late fee of Rs.5000/- each, within a period of 10 days from today and in case, the same is not accepted then it would cause irreparable loss to the future of the petitioner(s). In support of their arguments, learned counsel for the petitioner(s) have placed reliance upon order passed by this Court in **CWP-3927-2023** titled as **Sudhanshu Kataria Vs. Guru Nanak Dev University, decided on 27.02.2023.**

Learned counsel appearing on behalf of Guru Nanak Dev University has submitted that since, the last date for payment of fee along with fine of Rs.5000/- was 10.02.2023 and there was no power vested with the University to condone any further delay, thus, the prayer of the petitioner(s) was not accepted, at that point in time.

This Court has heard learned counsel for the parties.

All the petitioner(s) are bona fide students and have deposited fee with respect to earlier classes/semesters but could not deposit fee for the relevant semester/year on account of financial difficulty. It is not in dispute that the last date for depositing the fee was 10.02.2023 along with late fee of Rs.5000/- and thus, apparently there is a delay of a few days in depositing the fee by the petitioner(s). The petitioner(s) have undertaken to deposit their respective tuition fee along with late fee of Rs.5000/- each within a period of 10 days from today. In case, the said prayer of the petitioner(s) is not allowed then the same would cause irreparable loss to the future of the

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petitioner(s).

Thus, keeping in view the abovesaid facts and circumstances, all the abovesaid four Civil Writ Petitions are allowed in the following terms:-

- i) The petitioner(s) or their legal guardian would approach the respondent-University within a period of 10 days from today and offer their respective tuition fee for the relevant semester/year, alongwith late fee charges of Rs.5,000/- each.
- ii) In case, the petitioner(s) approach the respondent-University within a period of 10 days from today with the tuition fee of the relevant semester/year alongwith the penalty/late charges of Rs.5,000/- each, the same shall be accepted by the respondent-University.

03.03.2023
Pawan

(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:- **Yes/No**

Whether reportable:- **Yes/No**