

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

(119)

CWP-5259-2023

Date of decision: - 16.03.2023

Roopkirat Singh and another

....Petitioners

Versus

Guru Nanak Dev University and another

.....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL

Present:- Mr. Kushagra Mahajan, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. M.K. Dogra, Advocate
for the respondents.

VIKAS BAHL, J. (ORAL)

This writ petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to accept the fees of the petitioners for their 6th (Final) Semester.

Learned counsel for the petitioners has submitted that both the petitioners are students of B.Com (Final Semester) and have deposited their tuition fee upto 5th Semester and could not deposit the 6th Semester fee on account of financial constraints and the last date for submitting the fee alongwith late fee charges of Rs.5,000/- was 10.02.2023. It is also submitted that the petitioners are now ready to submit the tuition fee as well as the late fee charges of Rs.5,000/- within a period of one week

from today. It is stated that in case the petitioners are not permitted to submit the said tuition fee, then, future of the petitioners would be in jeopardy.

Learned counsel for the respondent-University has submitted that since the last date upto which the semester tuition fee along with late fee could have been deposited was 10.02.2023 and there was no power vested with the authorities to condone any further delay, thus, the prayer of the petitioners was not accepted, at that point in time.

This Court has heard learned counsel for the parties and has gone through the paper-book.

The petitioners are stated to be students of B.Com (Final Semester) and the last date for submitting the fee alongwith late fee charges of Rs.5,000/- was 10.02.2023 and it is on account of financial difficulty, the petitioners could not pay the same. The petitioners are now ready to pay the fee alongwith late fee charges within a period of one week from today and in case the petitioners are not given this opportunity, then the future of the petitioners would be in jeopardy.

Keeping in view the above-said facts and circumstances and also the future of the petitioners, the present writ petition is allowed in the following terms: -

- (i) The petitioners or their legal guardian would approach the respondent authorities within a period of one week from today and offer the tuition fees of the 6th semester alongwith penalty charges of Rs.5,000/- each.
- (ii) In case the petitioners approach the respondents within a

period of one week from today with the tuition fee of 6th semester alongwith penalty/late charges of Rs.5,000/- each, the same shall be accepted by the respondent-University.

March 16, 2023
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(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking?	Yes/No
Whether reportable?	Yes/No