

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No. 10958 of 2022(O&M)
and other connected cases
Date of decision: 27.04.2023

Kamal Singh

..Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present: Mr. Sandeep Singh Majithia, Advocate
for the petitioner (in CWP-10958 of 2022)

Mr. Akhil Kashyap, Advocate
for the petitioner (in CWP-13756 of 2022)

Mr. Rahul Vohra, Advocate and
Mr. Puru Gupta, Advocate
for the petitioner (in CWP-13283 of 2022)

Mr. P.S.Saini, Advocate
for Mr. Atul Goyal, Advocate
for the petitioner (in CWP-10955 of 2022)

Mr. Roshan Lal, Advocate, for
Mr. G.S.Dhillon, Advocate
for respondent no.6-Punjabi University.

Mr. Vishnav Gandhi, DAG, Punjab

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J(Oral)

1. A batch of 4 writ petitions has come up for the final disposal, though the recruitment notices are different, however, the issue which requires adjudication is common.

2. The petitioners pray for the relaxation in the maximum age or the experience required for the disputed post on account of delay in the result of qualifying exams on account of Covid-19 pandemic. The petitioners

claim that their studies during the period of Covid-19 pandemic got adversely affected. It also resulted in delay in holding the qualifying examinations, for which they cannot be made the sufferers.

3. This court has considered the submissions of the learned counsels representing the petitioners.

4. The maximum age for eligibility in an exam is prescribed under the rules that govern the examination process, similarly the required experience is also governed by rules.

5. In exercise of the writ jurisdiction, this court does not find it appropriate to interfere. The Government, if so advised, may take a conscious decision keeping in account the interests of the parties because this matter is in the realm of policy decision.

6. Disposed of accordingly.

7. All the pending miscellaneous applications, if any, are also disposed of.

April 27, 2023
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(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE

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