

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

CWP No.9586 of 2023

Date of decision:-10.05.2023

Gourav Kumar and others

.....Petitioners

versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present:- Mr. H.S. Saini, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Vikas Arora, AAG, Punjab.

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J.(ORAL)

1. The petitioners pray for issuance of a writ in the nature of *certiorari* to quash Clause No.9 (i) of recruitment notice dated 04.12.2022 (Annexure P-3) issued by the Surordinate Service Selection Board, Punjab, while inviting applications to fill up 644 posts of Veterinary Inspectors. The the recruitment notice was initially issued for 60 posts, but the number of posts were later increased through the issuance of various corrigendum. As per the recruitment notice the cut-off date for eligibility and applications was 30.03.2023. The petitioners allege that the Subordinate Service Selection Board, Punjab has not prescribed any minimum passing bench-mark for the written examination.

2. On the other hand the learned State counsel has submitted that the petitioners are not even eligible to apply since they have not completed the academic qualification of Diploma in Veterinary Science and Animal

Health Technology, which is *sine qua non* for applying pursuant to the recruitment notice.

3. The learned counsel representing the petitioners contends that the petitioners have already cleared the theory papers required to obtain the diploma, and only the internship training remains to be completed.

4. The requirement mentioned in the recruitment notice is to obtain a diploma, which can only be granted upon completion of both the theory and internship components.

5.. In the absence thereof the petitioners cannot claim any right for consideration.

6. Hence the writ petition is dismissed.

(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No