

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

CWP-15077-2015

Date of Decision: March 20, 2023

SATPAL SINGH

..... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS

..... Respondents

**CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL
HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE RITU TAGORE**

Present: None for the petitioner.

Mr. Saurabh Mago, AAG, Haryana.

LISA GILL, J.

Prayer in this writ petition is for striking down part of Section 120(1) of the Haryana Panchayati Raj Act, 1994, which provides for reservation of seats to the constituencies having maximum population of persons belonging to Scheduled Castes on the ground that it is contrary and inconsistent with provisions of Article 243 (D) of the Constitution of India. Further, prayer is for setting aside instructions dated 22.11.2014 issued by the State of Haryana providing reservation of seats to the wards in question and for quashing of Annexure P14, vide which reservation of seats for elections for Zila Parishad, Gurgram has been carried out.

Admittedly, there has been amendment of relevant provisions of Haryana Panchayati Raj Act, subsequent to filing of this writ petition. It is noted in order dated 25.01.2023 passed in this writ petition that learned counsel for the petitioner conceded that election to the post in question

have been conducted and term thereof has also come to an end. Writ petition was, however, adjourned for today at his request.

Today, despite the matter being called twice, there is no representation on behalf of the petitioner. It appears that petitioner is not interested in pursuing the matter any longer.

Accordingly, present petition is dismissed in default and for non-prosecution.

(LISA GILL)
JUDGE

March 20, 2023
Rts

(RITU TAGORE)
JUDGE

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