

2023:PHHC:068373

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

CWP-740-2017 (O&M)
Date of decision: 09.05.2023

Manpreet Kaur

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR JUSTICE ANIL KSHETARPAL

Present:- Mr.Devansh Khanna, Advocate for
Mr. Vaibhav Narang Advocate for the petitioner

Mr. Vikas Arora, AAG, Punjab

Ms. Saguna Arora, Advocate for respondent no.3

ANIL KSHETARPAL, J (Oral)

1. The petitioner prays for issuance of a writ in the nature of Mandamus directing the respondents to immediately appoint the petitioner. In substance, the petitioner claims that respondent no.3, though lower in merit when compared with the petitioner, has been appointed whereas the petitioner has not been issued any appointment letter by the appointing authority.

2. On the other hand, while filing the reply, the State of Punjab has submitted that Smt. Ravinder Kaur, the selected candidate secured 57.9319 marks whereas after the counselling session, the merit of the petitioner has come down to 54.2023 marks.

3. In view of the aforesaid stand of the State of Punjab, the learned counsel representing the petitioner has failed to prove that respondent no.3 was lower in merit than the petitioner.

4. Keeping in view the aforesaid facts, no ground to issue the writ, as prayed for, is made out.
5. Hence, dismissed.
6. All the pending miscellaneous applications, if any, are also disposed of.

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(ANIL KSHETARPAL)
JUDGE

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