

CWP No. 18125 of 2023

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

(128)

CWP No. 18125 of 2023

Date of Decision : 21.08.2023

Umesh Sharma and another

...Petitioners

Versus

Haryana Public Service Commission and another

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. D.S. Patwalia, Senior Advocate with
Mr. Adityajit Singh Chadha, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Kanwal Goyal, Advocate for the respondent-HPSC.

Mr. Saurabh Mohunta, Deputy Advocate General, Haryana.

Harsimran Singh Sethi J. (Oral)

Learned senior counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioners submits that as of now, there is ambiguity as to what criteria has been formulated to call the candidates for interview keeping in view the number of posts advertised. Learned senior counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioners submits that it is not clear as to whether, the candidates are being called for interview on the basis of the essential qualifications, which have been prescribed for the posts in the advertisement or on the basis of some merit prepared by the respondents on the basis of the written test for shortlisting the candidates as conducted by the respondents, hence, the respondents are under obligation to disclose the criteria adopted by the respondents to call the candidates for interview so as to select the candidates in a transparent manner and no prejudice is

caused to any candidate in any manner. Learned senior counsel further submits that the marks obtained by the candidates in the written test conducted for shortlisting the candidates have also not been declared so that candidates could assess their position as compared to other candidates.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court, Mr. Kanwal Goyal, Advocate, who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-HPSC and Mr. Saurabh Mohunta, learned Deputy Advocate General, Haryana, who is present in Court, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State.

Learned counsel for the respondent-Commission submits that in case the petitioners have any ambiguity with regard to the criteria being adopted for conducting the selection to the post in question, they are free to file an appropriate representation and in case, any representation is received from the petitioners, the same will be disposed of within 10 days of the receipt of any such representation.

Learned senior counsel for the petitioners submits that keeping in view the said statement of learned counsel for the respondents, the present petition may kindly be disposed of having been not pressed any further with liberty to file appropriate representation.

Ordered accordingly.

August 21, 2023
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No