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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CWP-19446-2023

Date of decision: 04.09.2023

Pooja Sharma

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VIKAS BAHL

Present: Mr. Mukesh Yadav, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Rajni Gupta, Addl. A.G., Haryana, for respondent No.1.

VIKAS BAHL, J. (ORAL)

1. This is a Civil Writ Petition filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondent-University to provide online facility to submit the application form for additional subject of B.Ed. in the University and to decide/consider the representation dated 25.11.2022 (Annexure P-1).

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that although, in the representation dated 25.11.2022 (Annexure P-1), prayer has been made for acceptance of online application form but the petitioner is ready to submit an application form through offline mode also. It is further submitted that as per the information received under RTI (Annexure P-3), it has been mentioned that a person who has already passed examination for the Degree of Bachelor of Education from the University concerned, may opt for an additional subject from any subjects other than those in which she already passed on submission of the application on the prescribed form and on payment of admission fee for the whole

examination. It is contended that the petitioner is ready to pay the necessary fee regarding the same and has submitted that she would be satisfied in case, the competent authority in the respondent No.3-University is directed to consider representation dated 25.11.2022 (Annexure P-1) in a time bound manner in accordance with law and in case the pleas raised by the petitioner are found to be meritorious then to grant necessary relief in accordance with law.

3. Keeping in view the abovesaid facts and circumstances, the present Civil Writ Petition is disposed of with a direction to the competent authority of respondent No.3-University to consider representation dated 25.11.2022 (Annexure P-1) in accordance with law as expeditiously as possible preferably within a period of three weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of the present order and in case the pleas raised by the petitioner are found to be meritorious then the competent authority of respondent No.3-University would grant the necessary relief, in accordance with law and in case, the competent authority of respondent No.3-University is of the opinion that the pleas raised by the petitioner are not meritorious then a speaking order rejecting the same be passed within a period of three weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of the present order. In case, the pleas of the petitioner are accepted then the petitioner would also pay the necessary fees and also comply with all other conditions in accordance with law which would be imposed by the competent authority of respondent No.3-University.

4. This Court has not opined on the merits of the case and the competent authority of respondent No.3-University would consider the case of the petitioner independently and in accordance with law.

04.09.2023*Pawan***(VIKAS BAHL)
JUDGE****Whether speaking/reasoned:- Yes/No
Whether reportable:- Yes/No**