

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

CWP-22601-2023 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 07.10.2023

Parul Punia

.....Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN PALLI, JUDGE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARKESH MANUJA, JUDGE

Present : Mr. Kamal Kumar Mor, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

ARUN PALLI, J. (Oral):

The petitioner appeared in the NEET-PG 2023, under Scheduled Caste Category, and out of 800, she obtained 245 marks, (ranked 127273). Concededly, in terms of the selection criteria, the last selected candidate in the SC Category had scored 257 marks. Thus, the petitioner failed to qualify. However, it is contended that in terms of the subsequent notice dated 20.09.2023 (P-6), issued by the Directorate General of Health Services (Medical Counselling Committee), the qualifying percentile for PG Courses (Medical) for NEET PG Counselling 2023 was reduced to zero across all categories.

It is urged that in the wake of the notice dated 20.09.2023 (*ibid*), the freshly eligible candidates could register and participate in Round-3 of the counselling. Accordingly, he submits that petitioner applied to respondent No.3 for issuance of the No Objection Certificate so as to enable her to appear for document verification, scheduled from 08.10.2023 to 09.10.2023. However, she was informed by the respondent-University that as the period within which she was required to apply for the NOC had already expired, it was not feasible to accede to her request.

Served with the advance copy of the petition, Mr. Deepak Balyan, learned Additional Advocate General, Haryana, and Mr. Ravish Kaushik, Advocate, on behalf of respondent No.3, are present in Court.

Learned counsel for respondent No.3 submits that the candidates, who had become eligible pursuant to the notice dated 20.09.2023 (*ibid*), were required to get themselves registered and apply for NOC from 30.09.2023 to 03.10.2023. Whereas, the petitioner had moved an application in this regard, post expiry of the said period, on 05.10.2023. However, he submits that her application is still pending before the competent authority, and formal orders are yet to be passed thereon. Accordingly, he submits that before the competent authority passes any such order, the concerns/grievances of the petitioner, as raised in the petition, shall be taken into account. And, appropriate orders, in accordance with law, shall be passed today itself.

In the wake of the above, the petition is disposed of, in terms of the statement made by learned counsel for respondent No.3.

This Court is sanguine that the authorities shall pass the necessary orders, as submitted by learned counsel for respondent No.3, assigning reasons in support thereof.

(ARUN PALLI)
JUDGE

(HARKESH MANUJA)
JUDGE

07.10.2023
AK Sharma

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes
Whether reportable	Yes/No