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

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Date of Decision :15.05.2024

Dr. Teena

...Petitioner

**Versus**

State of Haryana and others

....Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI**

Present: Mr. Akun Sheemar, Advocate for the petitioner.

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**Harsimran Singh Sethi, J. (Oral)**

1. In the present petition, grievance of the petitioner is that she was appointed as Public Health Manager under one of the scheme being run by the National Health Mission and she continued working on the said post as such even during the period of Covid-19 but thereafter, the petitioner availed the maternity leave and on expiry of the said maternity leave, she was not allowed to join her duty, which act of the respondents is totally arbitrary and illegal.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the respondents are under an obligation to allow the petitioner to continue in service as the similarly situated employees are already working and on the post on which the petitioner was working, is still lying vacant.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner further submits that the



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petitioner has already raised the said grievance before the respondents by way of submitting a representation dated 16.03.2024 (Annexure P/4) , which is still pending consideration and the petitioner will be satisfied at this stage, in case, a time bound direction be issued to the respondents to decide the said representation.

4. Notice of motion.

5. Mr. Harish Nain, AAG, Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents and submits that in case, representation dated 16.03.2024 (Annexure P/4) has been received from the petitioner and is still pending consideration with the authorities concerned, the same will be decided in accordance with law and an appropriate speaking order will be passed within a period of 06 weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order and in case, it is found feasible to grant the relief to the petitioner, the same will be extended to her otherwise, due reasons for not accepting the claim of the petitioner will be mentioned in the speaking order so passed.

6. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that keeping in view the statement of the learned counsel for the respondents, present petition may kindly be disposed of having been not pressed any further.

7. Ordered accordingly.

**May 15, 2024**  
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**(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)**  
**JUDGE**

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