

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

253(3)

CWP-18974-2022
Date of decision: 28.02.2024

Gurvinder Singh and others

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and another

...Respondents
CWP-3441-2023

Surinder Kumar and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents
CWP-3046-2023

Pargat Singh and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present : None for the petitioner.

Mr. Swapan Shorey, DAG, Punjab.

AMAN CHAUDHARY. J.

1. This common order shall dispose of the above petitions as they involve the same issue.
2. The prayer in the petitions filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India is for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondent-Departments to conclude and finalise the process of recruitment/appointments of petitioners, even though advertisement was issued way back in 12.09.2016 seeking applications against vacancies of drivers in

various departments of the State government. Petitioners applied for the posts, and successfully cleared the written exam back in the year 2018. They were called for counselling in 2020 where their certificates along with driving license were duly checked by the respondents. A list of successful candidates who were duly found eligible was prepared under their respective codes and subsequently, they were called for the driving test in different phases in 2020-2021. Following this, result cum merit list was prepared for only some category codes and few candidates were selected thereof. However, the petitioners have been kept in the dark about their status vis a vis the selection.

3. Learned State counsel on instruction submits that in case a representation is filed by the petitioners, the same can be decided in a time bound manner.

4. In view of the aforesaid and without commenting upon the merits of the case, these petitions are hereby disposed of with a direction that in case the petitioners submit their respective representations within a period of one month, substantiating their claim with documents, the same shall be considered and decided by the respondents taking into account the pleas raised, within a period of three months and if found entitled, necessary benefit be granted to forthwith. However, in the eventuality of the relief being denied, a speaking order be passed, after associating them therewith.

5. A photocopy of this order be placed on the files of other connected cases.

28.02.2024
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(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

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