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

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Date of decision: 30.05.2024

BALJEET KAUR**....PETITIONER****Vs.****STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS****...RESPONDENTS****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL**

Present: Mr. Arnav Sood, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Aman Dhir, DAG, Punjab.

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J (ORAL)

1. The petitioner through the instant petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India is seeking direction to respondents to consider the experience certificate (Annexure P-5) for the post of Assistant Financial Officer.

2. On 08.08.2023, the following order was passed:

“Vide advertisement dated 17.08.2021 (Annexure P-1), State of Punjab had invited applications from various categories for recruitment to the post of 'Civilian Support Staff' (non uniformed) in the Investigation Cadre of the Punjab Police. The petitioner applied for the post of 'Assistant Financial Officer' under the Backward Class category. She scored 194 marks out of a total of 400 marks in written examination. The candidates were also required to have experience and to furnish experience certificate, which had been duly submitted by the petitioner. However, her experience is not being considered while assigning the following remarks:



"1. The experience issued by M/s A.S. Corporation a shopkeeper dealing construction material from 05/09/2016 to date of application.

The above experience is irrelevant to the post applied for."

Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner had been getting her salary ever since she has been working with M/s A.S. Corporation through Bank, which would clearly show that she had genuinely been working for the said firm. It has further been submitted that identically situated candidate, namely, Isha Shukla (Sr.No.18 at pp. 51 of the paper-book) against whom similar remarks have been recorded, has been offered appointment, whereas the petitioner who otherwise tops in the Backward Class (Female) category is not offered appointment. It has also been submitted that although the petitioner submitted a representation (Annexure P-7) in this regard, but the same has not been considered and rather the respondents are in the process of finalizing the selection and the candidates are proceeding to join against the appointment letters issued to them.

Notice of motion for 18.10.2023.

Upon an advance copy of petition having been served upon the State of Punjab, Mr. Inderpreet Singh Kang, AAG, Punjab has put in appearance on behalf of respondents No.1 to 4 and has submitted that the case of the petitioner shall be considered in accordance with law expeditiously.

State is directed to consider the representation (Annexure P-7) by way of passing a speaking order within three weeks from today.

It is, however, directed that the respondents may proceed with the joining of the candidates pursuant to the appointments letters, which have already been issued, but it be clarified to such candidates that their joining will be subject to the final out-come of the instant petition."



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- 3. Mr. Aman Dhir, DAG, Punjab submits that case of petitioner is under active consideration and appropriate order would be passed within 2 weeks from today.
- 4. Counsel for petitioner agrees to the aforesaid arrangement.
- 5. In the wake of statement of learned State Counsel, the present petition stands disposed of.
- 6. Let the needful be done within two weeks from today positively.

30.05.2024
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[JAGMOHAN BANSAL]
JUDGE

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