

121 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

2024.PHHC:108527



CWP-19981-2024
Date of Decision: 20.08.2024

RAJESH CHANDER RANGA Vs. ...Petitioner

THE STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS ...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA

Present: Mr. Kshitij Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.

TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA, J. (Oral)

The petition has been filed *inter alia* seeking a writ of *mandamus* directing the respondents to appoint the petitioner to the post of Assistant Education Officer (Sports) on the basis of seniority, as recommended by the Principal and the Block Education Officer.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the legal notice dated 03.10.2023, Annexure P-14, is pending before the respondents. The DEO vide memo dated 06.11.2023, Annexure P-16, has also requested that a person be appointed as Assistant Education Officer (Sports) against the post lying vacant for smooth functioning of sports tournaments, still no action has been taken in the matter. At this stage, the petitioner will be satisfied in case the second respondent is directed to decide his legal notice, dated 03.10.2023, Annexure P-14, in a specified period.

3. Notice of motion.

4. Mr. R.S. Budhwar, Addl. AG, Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents/State, and submits that the pending legal notice, dated 03.10.2023, will be decided by the second respondent.

expeditiously.

5. In view thereof, without going into the merits of the case, the petition is disposed of with a direction to the second respondent/Director, Secondary Education, to consider and decide the pending legal notice, dated 03.10.2023, by passing a speaking order in accordance with law, within a period of two months from receiving a certified copy of this order.

6. In case the order is not passed within the stipulated period, the officer concerned shall pay costs of ₹25,000 to the petitioner.

(TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA)
JUDGE

20.08.2024

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