

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

Date of Decision : 18-07-2024

.....Petitioner(s)

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

.....Respondent(s)

Present: Mr. D. S. Patwalia, Senior Advocate with
Ms. Rishu Bajaj, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Swapan Shorey, DAG Punjab.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J. (Oral)

In the present petition, the petitioners are claiming the conversion of the vacant post of SC&ST to backward class category.

The petitioner competed for the post of ETT Teacher and in the said selection process, 595 posts remained vacant and the petitioners, who belongs to the reserved category of backward class are claiming consideration against the said 595 posts for selection and appointment.

Learned State counsel on the other hand submits that the said issue has already attained finality keeping in view the judgment passed by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Civil Appeal No.1908 of 2022 titled "*Mandeep Kumar and Ors. Vs. U.T., Chandigarh and ors.*", decided on 09.03.2022 hence, the present petition is liable to be dismissed.

Learned Senior counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioners has not been able to rebut that the question of law raised in the present petition is covered against the prayer of the petitioners, keeping in view of the order passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in ***Mandeep Kumar's case (supra)***.

Keeping in view of the above, the present petition is also dismissed of in view of the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in ***Mandeep Kumar's case (supra)***.

Pending application, if any, also stand disposed off.

18-07-2024
Sapna Goyal

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

NOTE: Whether speaking: YES/NO
Whether reportable: YES/NO