



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

(227)

CWP No. 25158 of 2019 (O&M)

Date of Decision : 28.10.2024

Baldeep Singh and another

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. R.K. Arora, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Satnam Preet Singh, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab.

Mr. Sahil Sabhlok, Advocate for respondent No. 4-UGC.

Harsimran Singh Sethi J. (Oral)

1. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioners submits that the petitioners competed for the post of Clerk for which they were selected and appointed and later on, the selection and appointment was sought to be withdrawn on the ground that the petitioners had acquired the Graduation Degree through Distant Education Mode. Learned counsel submits that out of three candidates, whose appointment was sought to be withdrawn, two filed the present petition and the 3rd candidate, namely, Sandeep Kumar filed writ petition being CWP No. 31214 of 2019 titled as ***Sandeep Kumar Vs. State of Punjab and others***, which petition has been decided by the Co-ordinate Bench on 24.11.2023 and the order withdrawing the appointment has been set-aside, hence, once the petitioners are similarly



situated as Sandeep Kumar, the present petition be also allowed in terms of *Sandeep Kumar’s case (supra)*.

2. Learned counsel for the State has not been able to point out any differentiating fact between the present petitioner and Sandeep Kumar.

3. Once, a particular relief has already been granted to a similarly situated employee by the Co-ordinate Bench while passing order in *Sandeep Kumar’s case (supra)*, the present petition is also allowed in terms of *Sandeep Kumar’s case (supra)*.

October 28, 2024
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes

Whether reportable : No