

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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CWP-21613-2023
Date of decision : 25.04.2024

Sukhrippen Pal SinghPetitioner

V/S

State of Punjab and othersRespondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: Mr. Ranjit Singh Kalra, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Akshita Chauhan, D.A.G., Punjab
for respondents No.1 to 4, 6 and 7.

Mr. Himmat Singh, Advocate for respondent No.5.

NAMIT KUMAR, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner has filed the instant writ petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India seeking a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to offer the appointment to the petitioner in the Department of Local Government, Improvement Trust as the person higher in merit has already submitted an affidavit of giving up his seat and accordingly, the petitioner being next in merit ought to have been appointed in his place.

2. Pursuant to notice of motion, separate written statements have been filed on behalf of the respondents. In the reply filed on behalf of respondents No.6 and 7, it has been stated as under :-

“xx xx xx Thereafter, the Nodal Agency (the Department of Water Resources, Punjab) carried out the 6th round of joint counselling of the candidates on dated 24.01.2024 and the petitioner has been selected as Sub-

Divisional Engineer (Civil) and allotted a seat in the Department of Local Government (Improvement Trust). Further, it is pertinent to mention here that the appointment letter has been issued to the petitioner by the Department of Local Government vide order no.S3-DSS-TSS-2024/43 dated 14.03.2024. xx xx xx xx”

3. In view of the above stand taken by respondents No.6 and 7, the instant writ petition has been rendered infructuous and the same is disposed of accordingly.

25.04.2024

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(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether Reportable:

Yes/No