

2024:PHHC:135909-DB



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP-27710-2024 (O&M)
Date of Decision:18.10.2024

ARJAN SINGH
.....Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE ELECTION COMMISSION PUNJAB AND OTHERS
..... Respondent(s)

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL
HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE SUKHVINDER KAUR

Present: Ms. Rupinder K. Thind, Advocate
for petitioner.

Mr. R.S. Pandher, Senior DAG, Punjab.

LISA GILL, J.

1. Grievance raised in the writ petition is regarding improper rejection of nomination papers of petitioner. There is further prayer for stay of process of elections to the Gram Panchayat as declared vide notification dated 19.09.2024 during pendency of the writ petition.
2. It is to be noted that election in question has since been held. Furthermore, writ petitions raising similar issues regarding the elections notified on 19.09.2024 have been dismissed vide order dated 14.10.2024 by co-ordinate Bench (CWP No.26745 of 2024 and other connected matters). It has been specifically held therein that said writ petitions are not maintainable and that it is the remedy of an election petition before the concerned Election Tribunal, which has to be availed of by the aggrieved person.

3. Learned counsel for petitioner is unable to point out any distinction calling for interference.
4. Keeping in view the admitted position as above, this writ petition is dismissed with liberty to petitioner to avail remedy(ies) as available to him in accordance with law. There is no expression of opinion on the merits of the matter.

(LISA GILL)
JUDGE

(SUKHVINDER KAUR)
JUDGE

18.10.2024

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