

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT  
CHANDIGARH

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CWP-1508-2019 (O&M)  
Date of Decision: 30.04.2024

Harjit Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

**CORAM: HON’BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY**

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Present: Mr. Vinay Puri, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Satnampreet Singh, DAG, Punjab.

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**AMAN CHAUDHARY, J. (Oral)**

1. The present petition has been made for directing the respondents to consider the case of the petitioner for the post of MPHWH (Male) under SC-ESM (R&O) category, as per advertisement dated 24.11.2016, Annexure P-1.
2. Learned counsel contends that issue of the petitioner is squarely covered by judgment of the Coordinate Bench of this Court in CWP-25003-2017, **Monika vs. State of Punjab and others**, decided on 06.03.2018, wherein at time of filling up application form, her category was mistakenly referred as SC-ESM (R&O) instead of SC (R&O), which was corrected at the time of counseling. It is submitted that he, though belongs to the SC-ESM (R&O) category and secured 374 marks, had inadvertently, while entering details in online application form wrongly mentioned it as SC (R&O), for which representation was served by him. He, on instructions, submits that the petitioner would be satisfied if time bound direction be given to the respondents to consider his claim, placing reliance on

judgment of Hon'ble the Supreme Court in **Vashist Narayan Kumar vs. The State of Bihar**, 2024 SCC OnLine SC 2.

3. Learned State counsel has no objection to the limited prayer made.

4. In view of the aforesaid and without commenting upon the merits of the case, this petition is hereby disposed of with a direction to the respondents to consider and decide the claim of the petitioner, by taking into account the aforesaid judgment, within a period of three months, which this Court has no reason to believe the authorities would not address in a just, fair and reasonable manner. Upon doing so, after notice and hearing offered to him, and if found entitled, grant the benefit forthwith. Needless to say, if the orders are adverse to his interest, the same shall contain reasons and the petitioner shall be free to seek legal redress.

**(AMAN CHAUDHARY)**  
**JUDGE**

**30.04.2024**

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Whether speaking : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No