



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP No.35251 of 2024
Date of Decision: 24.12.2024

Santosh Rani
.....Petitioner.
Versus
State of Punjab and others
.....Respondents.

CORAM: ***HON’BLE MRS. JUSTICE MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA***
 HON’BLE MS. JUSTICE KIRTI SINGH

Present:- Mr. N.P.S. Mann, Advocate
 for the petitioner.

MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA, J. (Oral)

By way of the instant Civil Writ Petition, the petitioner has sought the indulgence of this Court for the issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing respondents No.1 to 4 to receive and entertain the Election Petition, as intended to be filed by her and also to decide the same, as per the provisions of the Punjab State Election Commission Act, 1994.

2. Mr. S.S. Hira, learned Deputy Advocate General, Punjab, has put in appearance on behalf of respondents No.1 to 4 in this case in pursuance of the copies of the present petition having been sent to the respondent-State, in advance.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner relies upon the order passed by the Co-ordinate Bench on 19.12.2024 in ***CWP No.34623 of 2024*** titled as “***Gurdev Singh Versus State of Punjab and others***” and submits that



along-with the Election Petition, the petitioner would move an appropriate application for seeking condonation of the delay in filing the afore-said Election Petition and he prays that the instant writ petition be also disposed of, in view of the above-referred order dated 19.12.2024.

4. Learned State counsel has no objection for the same.
5. Resultantly, the Civil Writ Petition in hand is, hereby, disposed of with the direction to the concerned Election Tribunal to receive the Election Petition and also the application that may be moved by the petitioner therewith, for seeking condonation of the delay in filing the same (Election Petition) and to proceed to adjudicate the afore-mentioned application and thereafter, expeditiously decide the above-referred Election Petition as well, in accordance with law.

(MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA)
JUDGE

(KIRTI SINGH)
JUDGE

December 24, 2024
Yag Dutt

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes
Whether Reportable: No