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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ W.P.(C) 12522/2021 and CM APPL. Nos. 39418/2021 and
17330/2022

SANDEEP SANGWAN

.....Petitioner

Through: Mr. Rahul Mehra, Sr. Advocate with
Mr. R.A. Iyer, Mr. Chaitanya Gosain,
Advocates

versus

UNION OF INDIA & ORS.

.....Respondents

Through: Mr. Anil Soni, CGSC with
Mr.Devvrat Yadav and Mr.Chaitanya
Advocates for UOI.

+ W.P.(C) 12741/2021 and CM APPL. No.40122/2021

JAGRUP SINGH RATHI

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HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJEEV NARULA

ORDER

18.09.2024

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1. Mr. Rahul Mehra, Senior Counsel for Petitioner, draws attention to
order dated 24th March, 2023, which reads as under:

“1. This hearing has been done through hybrid mode.

*2. Vide order dated 23rd January, 2023, the Court had
directed the Respondents to make the file of the Selection*



Committee pertaining to Dronacharya Award for the years 2021 and 2022 available for perusal of the Court.

3. Today, the original record has been produced and perused by the Court. As per the record, the Selection Committee for Dronacharya Award on 26th October, 2021 had recommended the names of Mr. Jagrup Singh Rathi in Lifetime Category for Wrestling and Mr. Sandeep Sangwan in the Regular Category for Hockey.

4. The said decision of the Selection Committee was then considered by the Respondent No. 1-Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports/Competent Authorities, and a decision was taken to defer the consideration of the candidature of the Petitioners for subsequent years. It is clear from the record that their candidature and selection has not been rejected by the Respondent No. 1-Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports/Competent Authority.

5. Mr. Soni, Id. CGSC, however, submits that their marks were lesser than other Awardees. The submissions made shall be considered on the next date.

6. List on 7th July, 2023.”

2. In light of the above observations, it emerges that the Selection Committee for the Dronacharya Award has recommended the names of the Petitioners, specifically, Mr. Jagrup Singh Rathi in Lifetime Category for Wrestling and Mr. Sandeep Sangwan in the Regular Category for Hockey. Further, the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, i.e., the competent authority, has decided to defer the consideration of the candidature of the Petitioners for subsequent years. In view of the foregoing, Mr. Mehra states that the Petitioners would like to withdraw the present petitions and instead apply for the respective awards for this year (2024).

3. In light of the above, the petitions are dismissed as withdrawn. The pending applications are also disposed of.



4. All rights and contentions as urged in the present petitions, including the question of law raised therein, are left open. The Petitioners shall be at liberty to apply for the Dronacharya Award, in their respective categories, for the year 2024.

SANJEEV NARULA, J

SEPTEMBER 18, 2024
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