



**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

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CWP-6088-2025 (O&M)
Date of decision: 24.03.2025

Komal Rani

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present: Mr. Arjun Shukla, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Charanpreet Singh, AAG, Punjab.

AMAN CHAUDHARY, J. (Oral)**CM-3786-CWP-2025**

For the reasons mentioned in the application, the same is allowed. Annexures P-12 and P-13 are taken on record subject to all just exceptions.

Main Case

1. Prayer made in the present petition is for quashing the speaking order dated 23.10.2024, whereby the claim had been rejected on account of the fact that petitioner remained absent during the second scrutiny process held on 24.01.2022.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner has placed on record email dated 24.01.2022, Annexure P-12, sent at the official email id of the department as was provided for the purpose of recruitment process in question attaching therewith the roll number and the text message regarding she having tested Covid positive on 24.01.2022 itself received from the Department of Health, Punjab. It was on account thereof that she was unable to appear on the said date and a representation was also submitted on 26.01.2022, Annexure P-



13, requesting for being granted another opportunity to participate in the scrutiny. He further submits that in the speaking order, it has been wrongly stated that the recruitment process is now over inasmuch as that pursuant to the direction of this Court passed on 14.10.2024 in CWP-4264-2021 titled as **Sikander Singh and others vs. State of Punjab and others**, alongwith a batch of petitions, merit list has been re-casted and the department is in the process of offering appointment to the candidates in the said list, besides there being 30 posts that are still lying vacant in the category of physically handicapped, to which the petitioner belongs.

3. The aforesaid facts having been brought out, during the course of hearing, learned State counsel, on instructions, states that the respondents would not be averse to have a relook at the matter and decided afresh, taking note of the aforesaid judgment as also the submissions, within a period of 2 months, which this Court has no reason to believe the authorities would not address in a just, fair and reasonable manner.

4. The aforesaid satisfies the learned counsel for the petitioner.

5. The matter stands disposed of accordingly and if the petitioner is found entitled, grant the benefit forthwith. Needless to say, if the orders are adverse to her interest, the same may be passed after granting opportunity of hearing to her and shall contain reasons, whereupon she shall be free to seek legal redress thereupon.

(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

24.03.2025
Hemant

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