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

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Date of decision: 29.01.2025

Prem Dass Shant

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AMAN CHAUDHARY

Present : Ms. Shreya Rana, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Ms. Shruti, AAG, Punjab.

AMAN CHAUDHARY, J. (ORAL)

1. Prayer made in the present petition is for granting exemption to the petitioner from the exam, as had been granted to the similarly situated, as mentioned in paras 9 to 11 of the writ petition.

2. Apparently, no reason has been assigned for denying the claim of the petitioner, but for mentioning the ones granted was on account of having filed writ petitions, which was deprecated by observing that sketchy and one liner orders passed without assigning any reasons, in **Ashok Kumar vs. State of Haryana and Others** 2002 SCC OnLine P&H 1450 and **M/s Kranti Associates Pvt. Ltd. And Another vs. Sh.**



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Masood Ahmed Khan and Others 2010(9) SCC 496 wherein it was observed that, the face of an order passed by a quasi-judicial authority or even an administrative authority affecting the rights of parties, must speak and must not be like the inscrutable face of a Sphinx. The authorities are under a legal obligation to give reasons while passing an order, which are the essence and virtually a part of the due process.

3. In view of the above and without commenting upon the merits of the case, this petition is hereby disposed of with a direction to the respondents to decide the claim of the petitioner afresh, 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 thereupon.

29.01.2025

parveen kumar

(AMAN CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

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