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

CWP-7681-2024

Date of decision:-22.12.2025

Prachi

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and anr.

...Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUVIR SEHGAL

Present: Mr. Brijesh Nandan, Advocate
for the petitioner (THROUGH V.C.)

Mr. Deepak Vashisth, DAG, Haryana.

SUVIR SEHGAL, J.(ORAL)

1. This petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, inter alia, for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to rectify a clerical error in petitioner's birth certificate.

2. Counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner was born on 26.11.2004, but by virtue of an error in the birth certificate, Annexure P2, date of birth has been recorded as 26.12.2004. Counsel has made a reference to the certificate issued by Central Board of Secondary Education, school certificate, Aadhaar Card, passport, Annexures P4 to P6, respectively, to assert that petitioner's date of birth is 26.11.2004. Counsel submits that despite submission of representations, Annexure P7 and P9, Registrar, Births and Deaths has not rectified the mistake.



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3. Writ petition has been contested by respondents No.1 to 2 by filing response. State counsel has made a reference to the birth register, Annexure R2, to submit that date reflected in the record, which has been signed by petitioner's mother is 26.12.2002. Response filed by respondents No.1 and 2 is, however, silent regarding representations, Annexures P7 and P9, submitted by petitioner. Despite being instructed by Dr. Sandeep Jain, Deputy Civil Surgeon, State counsel is not in a position to apprise the Court as to whether representations, Annexures P7 and P9 have been decided.

4. Having heard counsel for the parties, this Court is of the view that Section 15 of the Registration of Births and Deaths Act, 1969 (for short "the Act") vests power with the registering authority to correct any error in the register of births and deaths. This power can be exercised by the Registrar on being satisfied that an erroneous entry has been made in the record. As representations, Annexures P7 and P9, are pending, competent authority is directed to consider them and treat them as applications under Section 15 of the Act. These representations shall be decided as expeditiously as possible preferably within a period of four months from the date of communication of this order.

5. Writ petition is disposed of.

(SUVIR SEHGAL)
JUDGE

22.12.2025
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Whether reasoned/speaking : Yes/No
Whether reportable : Yes/No