



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

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CWP-12337-2025 (O&M)

Decided on :02.05.2025

SHISHU SUCHINTAN EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY MOHALI

. .Petitioner

Versus

CENTRAL BOARD OF EDUCATION AND ANOTHER

. . Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

**PRESENT: Mr. Rajiv Kataria, Advocate for
Ms. Neelam Choudhary, Advocate for the petitioner.**

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J. (Oral)

1. In the present petition, the petitioner-institution is claiming that late fee for the registration of the candidates for class IXth and class XIth for the session 2024-25 demanded by respondent No. 2-CBSE from the petitioner-institution which was paid by the petitioner-institution, is without jurisdiction hence, the respondents are liable to be directed to refund the same.

2. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner-Institution submits that though, the late fee for the registration of the candidates for class IXth and class XIth for the session 2024-25 was to be paid by the petitioner-institution starting from 18.10.2024 (Annexure P-A) but the petitioner-institution had paid the said fee on 17.10.2024 and hence, the same

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was within the time frame, therefore, the respondents are liable to refund the same.

3. I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner and have gone through the case file with his able assistance.

4. A bare perusal of the schedule which was given in the Annexure attached to the registration data of the candidates for class IXth and class XIth for the session 2024-25 dated 11.09.2024, copy of which has been annexed as Annexure P-2, the said registration could have been done without late fee upto 16.10.2024. It is a conceded position that the said registration was not done by the petitioner-institution upto 16.10.2024 and any registration applied after 16.10.2024 has to be dealt with late fee, hence, the charges of late fee demanded from the petitioner-institution by respondent No. 2-CBSE cannot be treated as arbitrary and illegal in the facts and circumstances of the present case.

5. No ground is made out for any interference by this Court in the facts and circumstances of the present case.

6. Accordingly, the writ petition is dismissed in limine.

7. Pending civil miscellaneous application, if any, stands disposed of.

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned: *Yes/No*

Whether Reportable: *Yes/No*