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AT CHANDIGARH

2025:PHHC:144743



CWP-28922-2025
Date of Decision:14.10.2025

DEEPAK KUMAR PANDEY AND OTHERS ...Petitioners
Vs.
STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS ...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANDEEP MOUDGIL

Present: Mr. G.S. Sandhu, Advocate for
Mr. H.C. Arora, Advocate for the petitioners.

SANDEEP MOUDGIL, J. (Oral)

1. The present petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, directing the respondents to withdraw their deployment as Presiding Officers in the forthcoming Lok Sabha Elections-2024 and instead deploy them as Micro-Observers, in view of their higher status and pay scale (L-15 to L-23) as Associate/Assistant Officers of Punjab University, and the language barrier faced by many who are not conversant with Punjabi; the present deployment being in violation of Election Commission Circulars dated 19.09.2008 (Annexure P-2) and 07.06.2023 (Annexure P-3), which govern appropriate deployment of personnel on election duty.
2. The matter has been put up in terms of Minutes of Meeting dated 31.05.2025 of Hon'ble Computer Committee.
3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that this writ petition was filed through electronic medium (E-filing). He further submits that hard copy of writ petition could not be filed in the Registry within 30 days of e-filing. Subsequently, CWP-12134-2024 was filed was dismissed on 27.05.2024.
4. Learned counsel for the petitioner seeks to withdraw this writ petition.
5. Dismissed as withdrawn.

(SANDEEP MOUDGIL)
JUDGE

14.10.2025

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