



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

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**CWP-14834-2025
Date of decision: 22.05.2025**

SUMAN DEVI

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS

.....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ

Present: - Mr. Jasbir Mor, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Tapan Kumar, DAG, Haryana.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (Oral)

The present writ petition has been filed seeking directions to respondent No.2 viz. the Department of Sports and Youth Affairs, Haryana to submit the verification report of the Sports Gradation Certificate dated 14.09.2018 and thereafter to the Haryana Staff Selection Commission to place the petitioner at an appropriate place in the selection list/merit list dated 14.07.2024 of the remaining ESP candidates of Group 'D' under the ESP-General category against the advt No. 04/2018.

2. Learned Counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner contends that the petitioner had applied for Group 'D' post pursuant to advertisement No. 04/2018 dated 25.08.2018 for 18218 posts in different departments of the State of Haryana. He submits that the petitioner possess the minimum



educational qualification of matriculation and 10+2 and has participated in the Haryana State Football (Boys/Girls) Championship held from 13.04.2017 to 14.04.2017 and she obtained first position in the Senior (Girls) category. He submits that the Government of Haryana had issued instructions to the Sports Department for issuance of the Sports Gradation Certificate on 25.05.2018 and 25.11.2018 and the appropriate grading was required to be done by the Department of Sports for different categories. The petitioner had also participated in the State level tournament in the game of Karate and obtained the second position in the year 2011. He thus contends that the petitioner is eligible and entitled to the issuance of Sports Gradation Certificate of Grade 'D' on the said basis. The petitioner was held eligible for the said post by the Haryana Staff Selection Commission and the final result was declared on 19.01.2019 for the post of Group 'D', the name of the petitioner was not figured. It was reported that the Sports Gradation Certificate of the selected candidates were not found valid, therefore, the candidature has been cancelled. A large number of posts thus remained vacant and unfilled against the Advertisement No. 4 of 2018. The document verification of the petitioner however has not been done by the respondent-Department even though the petitioner had secured 39 marks more than the last selected candidate that had already been recommended by the Haryana Staff Selection Commission. He contends that he would be satisfied at this juncture in case the respondent-Director of Sports and Youth Affairs, Haryana is directed to examine the Sports Achievement of the petitioner and to issue an appropriate Sports Gradation Certificate in terms of the applicable policy and with a further direction to the respondents-Haryana



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Staff Selection Commission to consider the case of the petitioner as per the merit list prepared for the ESP category in the said advertisement.

3. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the respondent-State has no objection to the same.

4. Consequently, the present writ petition is disposed of with the consent of the parties and without commenting on the merits thereof with a direction to the respondent No.2 i.e. Director of Sports & Youth Affairs, Govt. of Haryana to examine the Sports achievement of the petitioner in terms of the applicable policy and to issue the Sports Gradation Certificate, if found eligible.

5. Let the needful exercise be done by the respondent-Department within a period of two months of receipt of certified copy of this order.

6. In the event of the Sports achievement of the petitioner being suitably graded, the respondent-Haryana Staff Selection Commission shall thereafter consider the claim of the petitioner on the basis of the Sports Gradation Certificate and pass an appropriate order within a further period of one month thereafter.

MAY 22, 2025*Vishal Sharma***(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	:	Yes/No