



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

**209**

**CWP-19768-2021**

Date of Decision : **December 02, 2025**

**JATINDER PAL**

.....Petitioner

***VERSUS***

**STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS**

.....Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPINDER SINGH NALWA**

Present : Mr. Sukhcharan Singh, Advocate for the petitioner.  
Mr. N. P. S. Hira, DAG, Punjab.

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**DEEPINDER SINGH NALWA, J. (Oral)**

1. In the present writ petition, the petitioner is praying for issuance of a direction to the respondents to appoint him as Lecturer in Commerce (School Cadre) in the Sports Category.
2. Brief facts of the case are that respondent No.3 issued an advertisement dated 01.04.2021 for filling up 68 backlog posts of Lecturers in Commerce. The petitioner possesses 'C' Grade Sports certificate. Out of 68 backlog posts, 7 posts were reserved for sports category. In pursuance to the abovesaid advertisement, the petitioner duly applied for appointment on the post of Lecturer in Commerce. The petitioner duly appeared in the written test conducted by the respondents. The result was declared by the respondents whereby, the petitioner had secured 115 marks. The petitioner also attended the counselling for the purpose of scrutiny of documents. It transpires that no appointments were made on the posts, which were reserved for sports category. As a consequence of this, the petitioner submitted various representations to the respondents wherein it was prayed that infact his case should be considered for appointment as Lecturer in Commerce on the

post reserved for sports category. As no decision was taken by the respondents, the petitioner has filed the present writ petition.

3. The respondents have filed the written statement. It is the specific case of the respondents that the case of the petitioner was duly considered. However, taking into consideration that the post of Lecturer in Commerce is a Group-A post as such minimum requirement in order to become eligible for Group-A post in Sports Category, a candidate has to possess 'A' or 'B' Grade sports certificate. As the petitioner possesses 'C' grade sports certificate as such, the petitioner is not eligible to be considered for appointment of Lecturer in Commerce in Sports Category. The learned State counsel has placed reliance upon a judgment passed by a co-ordinate Bench of this Court in CWP No.12251 of 2009 titled as "**Varinder Pal Singh Sidhu Vs. State of Punjab and another**", decided on 11.03.2013. He submits that similar issue was involved in the aforesaid writ petition and this Court has dismissed abovesaid writ petition holding that a candidate, who possesses 'C' Grade Sports Certificate is not eligible for consideration for appointment on Group A and B posts i.e. Class-I and II posts.

4. Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the petitioner could not controvert the judgment passed by this Court in Varinder Pal Singh Sidhu's case (supra).

5. In view of the above, no relief can be given to the petitioner and the present writ petition is dismissed.

(DEEPINDER SINGH NALWA)  
JUDGE

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