



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

CWP-8688-2017

Date of decision: 08.09.2025

Mandeep Kumar

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

Present: Mr. Ajay Pal Singh Rehan, Advocate
for the petitioner (through V.C.).

Mr. Vikas Arora, DAG, Punjab.

Mr. Sehajbir Singh, Advocate
for respondents No.2 & 3.

Mr. Anil Rana, Advocate for
Mr. Puneet Gupta, Advocate
for respondents No.6, 8, 10, 12, 13, 16,
19, 21 to 24, 27 to 30, 33 to 35, 38, 39,
42 to 44, 46, 50, 54 & 55.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR, J. (ORAL)

1. The present civil writ petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of *certiorari* for quashing the list of candidates selected as Junior Engineers (Annexure P-3) in Scheduled Caste Category in pursuance of advertisement No. CRA No.286/15 (Annexure P-1) in the respondent-Corporation.

2. The controversy involved in the present case has been dealt with in in extenso by the Constitutional Bench of the Apex Court in Civil Appeal No.2317 of 2011 titled as 'The State of Punjab and others Vs. Davinder Singh and others' decided on 01.08.2024 in which the ratio of law as laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in 'E.V. Chinnaiah Vs. State of Andhra Pradesh' 2005



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(1) SCT 750 was revisited by the Constitutional Bench and with a majority view of the six members of the Bench, it has been concluded that sub classification for the reservation in terms of Section 4 (5) of the Punjab Schedule Castes and Backward Classes Reservation in Services Act, 2006, is permissible.

3. In view of the above, learned counsel for the parties are *ad idem* that controversy involved in the present case is squarely covered by the judgment of the Hon'ble Apex Court in ***Davinder Singh's case (supra)***.

4. In view of the settled law, the present petition is dismissed in view of the authoritative pronouncements by the Hon'ble Apex Court in ***Davinder Singh's case (supra)***.

(HARPREET SINGH BRAR)
JUDGE

08.09.2025

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