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AT CHANDIGARH**

CWP No.22801 of 2025 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 11.08.2025

RAM KUMAR AND ORS.

.....Petitioners

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS.

.....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK MANCHANDA

Present: Mr. Ranjit Singh Kalra, Advocate and
 Ms. Mona Yadav, Advocate, for the petitioners.

Mr. Kuljit Singh, Addl. Advocate General Punjab.

ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL, J. (Oral)

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners are either B.P.ED (03-04 years course) or M.P.ED (02 years course) qualified from Punjabi University or Guru Nanak Dev University. The respondents have issued advertisement (Annexure P-4) for the post of Physical Training Instructors wherein the qualification of 10+2 with at least two years Diploma or Certificate in Physical Education has been prescribed. It takes 02 years for a student to complete the Diploma/Certificate. He further submits that similarly situated persons had earlier approached this Court and the Full Bench of this Court in the case of **Manjeet Singh vs. State of Punjab and others, 2010(3) SCT 703** had held that the candidates having higher qualification in the same line cannot be excluded from selection. Respondents No.2 and 3 had amended the Rules in consonance with the

directions of the Full Bench of this Court in the case of **Manjeet Singh's** case (supra). However, before issuing the impugned advertisement (Annexure P-4), the Rules have been arbitrarily amended once again in violation of the judgment of the Full Bench of this Court in **Manjeet Singh's** case (supra) and only candidates having Diploma Courses/Certificate-holders have been held to be eligible.

2. Learned State counsel submits that the impugned advertisement has been withdrawn and a Committee has also been constituted to re-consider the matter. He has furnished copy of communication dated 11.08.2025, which is taken on record.

3. In view of the above, the instant petition has been rendered infructuous and stands disposed of accordingly.

(ANUPINDER SINGH GREWAL)
JUDGE

(DEEPAK MANCHANDA)
JUDGE

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Whether Speaking/Reasoned :	Yes/No
Whether Reportable :	Yes/No