



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

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CWP-23048-2025

Decided On: 12.08.2025

SANJANA YADAV

...PETITIONER(s)

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA AND ANOTHER

...RESPONDENT(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA

Present: Mr. Jashan Singh Sekhon, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Tanushree Gupta, Senior Deputy Advocate General,
Haryana.

Mr. Kanwal Goyal, Advocate with
Ms. Sheena Dahiya, Advocate
for respondent no.2/HPSC.

TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA J.(Oral)

The petition has been filed, *inter alia*, seeking a writ of *mandamus* directing the respondents to consider the petitioner's candidature under BC-B (non-creamy layer), for the post of Assistant Professor (College cadre) Computer Science in response to advertisement 45/2024, dated 02.08.2024. The direction has been sought on the ground that the petitioner inadvertently mentioned her category as BC-B (creamy layer) while filling up the application form in question, though had attached a valid BC-B (non creamy layer) certificate along with it. This inadvertent mistake on her part should be ignored and her candidature should be considered in the category she belongs to, i.e., BC-B (non-creamy layer).

2. Learned counsel for the Commission has produced photocopy of relevant pages of the petitioner's application form as well as the backward class certificate dated 27.04.2012 attached therewith, which is retained on the



case file as Annexure 'A'. Based upon that, he contends that the petitioner filled up her category as BC-B (creamy layer) and failed to upload a valid BC-B (non-creamy layer) certificate along with application form as per the condition in the advertisement 45/2024. A valid certificate was required to be submitted in terms of the Government instructions/notification dated 22.03.2022 and 16.07.2024, respectively, it had to be valid for the year 2024-25. It was clearly mentioned that any old certificate would not be considered. He further contends that the Commission also issued a corrigendum dated 24.02.2025, requiring the candidates, who had wrongly mentioned their categories in the application form, to fill up a fresh application form along with valid category certificate. The petitioner failed to submit any application form in response to the corrigendum also, and appeared for the Screening Test held on 15.06.2025 on the basis of her original application form. She was accordingly considered as a General category candidate and could not be shortlisted for the next stage of selection on merit. Therefore, the Commission had no option but to consider her candidature as a General category candidate.

3. Heard.

4. In view of the facts apparent from the documents placed on record on behalf of the Commission, it stands established that the petitioner has not uploaded a valid BC-B category certificate to the effect that she belongs to the category. Her failure to respond to the corrigendum issued by the Commission dated 24.02.2025, to submit a fresh application form, has also compounded her problems which cannot be remedied in the present situation when the closing date for submission of applications is already over. And her candidature has been considered under General category on the basis of application form submitted by her and the documents appended therewith.



5. In view thereof, there is no merit in the petition and it stands dismissed *in limine*.

12.08.2025

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(TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned?

Yes/No

Whether reportable?

Yes/No