



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

CWP-28133-2024

Date of decision : 03.03.2025

Suhail Singh and others

.....Petitioners

Versus

Union of India and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SHEEL NAGU, CHIEF JUSTICE
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUMEET GOEL

Present: Mr. Keshav Gupta, Advocate (through video conferencing),
for the petitioners.

Mr. Salil Sabhlok, Senior DAG, Punjab.

SHEEL NAGU, CHIEF JUSTICE (Oral)

1. Learned counsel for the State of Punjab has filed short reply by way of affidavit dated 27.02.2025, duly sworn by Under Secretary, Department of Social Security and Women & Child Development, Punjab, which reveals that after the Government of India vide letter dated 24.01.2023 stopped funding the Training Centre for Teachers of the Visually Handicapped (TCTVH), Ludhiana, the State of Punjab vide letter dated 04.09.2024 decided to take upon itself the responsibility of funding the said Institution.

2. It is informed by learned counsel for the State of Punjab that since some delay took place in the decision, which was taken at the highest level, admissions in the year 2024, for the academic session 2024-26, could not take place. It is further informed that now respondent No.6, who is responsible for admission to the said Institution, has been requested vide letters dated



13.11.2024 (Annexure R-3/1) and 14.01.2025 (Annexure R-3/2) to admit students with some delay. However, respondent No.6 has not responded to these communications. The relevant portion of the affidavit is re-produced below for ready reference and convenience :-

“6. That after Govt. of India decision vide its letter dated 24.01.2023 regarding stoppage of funding, the matter for continuation of TCTVH Ludhiana with 100% funding from the State Government was also taken with the State Govt. After considering the proposal at various levels in the State Government, ultimately the Govt. of Punjab Department of Finance accorded its financial approval vide letter dated 04.09.2024 but it took some time and due to procedural delay, admissions could not be made during 2024 for the 2024-36 batch.

7. That at present 2nd year of the course i.e. 2023-25 is going on in the above said center and for admissions in 2024 batch this office has written to Chairperson RCI, New Delhi vide its letter dated 13.11.2024 and 14.01.2025 requesting them as under :-

“... As per mandate, RCI is the nodal authority to take a call on admission. Therefore, it is requested if RCI consider this as a special case and allow the centre to enroll students for Diploma in Special Education but their reply is still awaited.”

Copies of the said letters are enclosed herewith as **Annexures R-3/1 and Annexure R-3/2.**

8. That since the answering respondent has already taken its decision regarding continuation of the above said TCTVH Ludhiana with 100% State Govt. funding and now the mandate needful, to take a call on admission for 2024-25 is to be done by the respondent no.6. Otherwise admissions in the coming academic year 2025-26 will be



done as routine. Therefore, a short reply is being filed by the answering respondent at this stage. However, the respondent shall undertake to file a detailed reply, if so desired by this Hon’ble Court, at any stage.”

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners, who appears virtually, submits that in view of the contents of the affidavit dated 27.02.2025 filed by the State of Punjab, the cause raised by the petitioners herein has rendered infructuous, as their grievance stands redressed.
4. Accordingly, the petition stands disposed of.

(SHEEL NAGU)
CHIEF JUSTICE

March 03, 2025
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(SUMEET GOEL)
JUDGE

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