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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA  
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP-32645-2024

Date of Decision : 23-01-2025

MELO NATUNG

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION AND ORS

.....Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr.Krishan Kanha, Advocate and  
Mr. Kshitiz Goel, Advocate  
For the petitioner.

Mr. Hemen Aggarwal, Advocate  
For the respondent No.1 in CWP No.32645 of 2024

Mr. Jagdeep Singh Rana, Advocate with  
Mr. K.S Dadwal, Advocate for  
Respondent No.2.

Mr. Ranjit Singh Kalra, Advocate  
For respondent No.3.

Mr. B.S Bhalla, Advocate  
For respondent Nos.4 to 6.

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**HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J. (Oral)**

1. In the present petition, the grievance being raised by the petitioner is that his original certificates/documents which were submitted to the respondent No.4-Institute, have been retained on the ground that the petitioner is liable to pay the fees to fulfil the terms and conditions of the surety bond despite the fact that the petitioner has left the said Institute.

2. Hence, the respondent No.4-Institute is under obligation to release the documents/original certificate without all the instances to pay the fees especially when the petitioner is not the student of the Institute any further.

3. Learned counsel for the respondents further submits that in order to get back the original certificates, a right is being claimed whereas, the responsibility to pay the fee is being ignored by the petitioner, which is arbitrary and illegal.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that he has already received the documents today in the Court and submits that in case any decision is taken to call upon the petitioner to pay the fees by notice, the same will be duly replied with and any order passed by the respondent No.4-Institute, the same will be complied with subject to availing of appropriate remedy in case the decision cause prejudice to the petitioner in any manner.

5. Learned counsel for the respondents further submits that an appropriate notice will be issued to the petitioner so as to seek the pending fees which the petitioner is required to deposit even if, he has left the Institution and to proceed further in accordance with the law.

6. Keeping in view of above, no further order is required to be passed in the present petition and the same is disposed of as such.

7. Pending application, if any, also stands disposed of.

23-01-2025  
Sapna Goyal

**(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)**  
**JUDGE**

NOTE: Whether speaking: YES  
Whether reportable: NO