



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP-36034-2025

Date of Decision: 09.12.2025

AMIT KUMAR AND ANOTHER

...Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS

...Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA

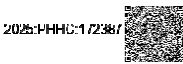
Present:- Mr. Mandeep Singh Lamba, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Amit Sahni, Additional Advocate General, Haryana with
Mr. Harmanjit Singh Johal, Advocate.Mr. Kanwal Goyal, Advocate with
Ms. Sheena Dahiya, Advocate and Ms. Komal Klana, Advocate
for respondent no.2/HPSC.**TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA, J. (Oral)**

The petition has been filed, *inter alia*, seeking a writ of *certiorari* quashing the result of Screening Test for the post of Lecturer in Electrical Engineering, dated 20.11.2025, Annexure P-8, as also the revised answer key dated 11.11.2025, Annexure P-4, against advertisement 77/2024, dated 06.11.2024.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner has contended that the petitioner applied for the post aforementioned and appeared for the Screening Test held on 02.11.2025, which was common for all the posts advertised in different subjects. The provisional answer key was uploaded by the Commission on 03.11.2025, inviting objections from the candidates. The petitioners also submitted their objections. The impugned final answer key was uploaded on 11.11.2025, wherein nine questions were deleted. On that basis final result of the Test was declared on 20.11.2025. This was arbitrary,

as instead of deleting the questions the Commission was required to give



grace marks to all the candidates for the wrong questions. This procedure is being followed by other recruiting agencies, like the Union Public Service Commission.

3. Learned counsel for the Commission, on instructions, submitted that after inviting objections from the candidates against the provisional answer key, the same were sent to a committee of subject experts, and based on their advice, the final answer key as well as the result was finalised. The deletion of nine questions was also based on their advice. This cannot be termed arbitrary. Besides, the issue already stands decided against the petitioner in CWP-33277-2025 titled *Pinky Devi and others v. State of Haryana and others*.

4. Considering the submissions made by learned counsel for the parties, this Court is not inclined to entertain the present petition as there is nothing illegal or irregular about the procedure followed by the Commission in deciding the final answer key and/or deleting the questions. This has been done only on the advice of the subject experts against whom there is no allegation or wrong doing or *mala fide*. Further, challenge to the validity of final answer key of Screening Test for another post on similar grounds has already been declined by this Court in *Pinky Devi* case *ibid*.

5. Accordingly, no ground to entertain the petition is made out and it stands dismissed.

(TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA)
JUDGE

09.12.2025
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No