



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

CWP-450-2019 (O&M)

Date of decision:29.04.2026

Makhan Pal Singh Brar

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and another

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI

Present: Mr. Narinder Singh Dadwal, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Mahir Sood, Advocate,
Mr. Arun Williams, Advocate,
Mr. Shikhar Narwal, Advocate, and
Mr. Anirudh Bhaskar, Advocate,
for respondent No.2.

KULDEEP TIWARI, J. (Oral)

1) The petitioner, by way of instant writ petition, as cast under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India, lays challenge to the order dated 24.05.2018 (Annexure P-11), vide which, his claim for change of name from William Masih to Makhan Pal Singh Brar, as per birth certificate, has been rejected.

2) At the outset, learned counsel for the respondent-Board, while drawing attention of this Court towards a notification dated 14.01.2026, issued by the Punjab School Education Board, submits that, in case, the petitioner applies afresh, as per the prescribed format, his claim will be reconsidered and decided, as expeditiously as possible.

3) A photocopy of the abovesaid notification, along with vernacular, has been retained on record as 'Mark A', and another set has also been supplied to learned counsel for the petitioner.

4) In view of the fair stand set out on behalf of the respondent-Board, learned counsel for the petitioner seeks permission to withdraw



the instant writ petition, with liberty to the petitioner to approach the respondent-Board, in terms of the notification (supra).

- 5) **Dismissed as withdrawn** with the liberty, as prayed for.
- 6) It is clarified that in the event, the petitioner submits an application for correction of his name in the Educational Certificate/Mark Sheet(s), along with all the requisite documents, within four weeks from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order, the authorities shall take a final decision thereupon, within 6 weeks therefrom.

(KULDEEP TIWARI)
JUDGE

29.04.2026
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Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether reportable	Yes/No