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

(266)

CWP-3442-2023 (O&M)

Date of decision:- 28.04.2026

Simant Kumar

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana & ors.

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA

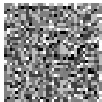
Present:- Mr. Jasbir Mor, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Rohit Arya, Additional Advocate General with
Mr. Suneel Ranga, Deputy Advocate General,
Haryana.

TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA, J. (ORAL)

The petition has been filed seeking a writ of *certiorari* quashing the memo dated 01.02.2023, Annexure P-13, whereby the petitioner's candidature for the post of Employability Skill Instructor, against advertisement 12/2019, under BCB category, has been cancelled on account of wrongly awarded marks under socio-economic criteria. Further, a writ of *mandamus* has been sought directing the respondents to appoint the petitioner on the said post on the basis of merit, as he has secured more marks than the last selected candidate in the category, even if the socio-economic criteria marks are to be excluded.

2. Learned State counsel has received instructions from the Department vide memo, dated 26.02.2026, which is retained on the



case file as Annexure ‘A’. Referring to the same, he submits that similar matter has alerady been allowed by this Court vide judgment dated 31.07.2024, rendered in CWP No.19090 of 2023 titled *Manisha Bhardwaj v. State of Haryana and ors.*

3. In view of the facts aforementioned, the instant petition is allowed in terms of the judgment in *Manisha Bhardwaj* case *ibid.*, and the impugned memo dated 01.02.2023 is hereby set aside. Respondent no.2 is directed to appoint the petitioner to the post of Employability Skill Instructor under BCB category. He shall be entitled to all service benefits notionally from the date other selected candidates have been given appointments in response to the advertisement in question and actually from the date of joining the service. These directions shall be carried out within a period of four weeks of receiving a certified copy of the order.

(TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA)
JUDGE

28.04.2026

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Whether Speaking/Reasoned	Yes
Whether Reportable	No