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

CM-3583-CWP-2026 in/and
CWP-7057-2026
Date of decision: 10.03.2026

Surinder Kumar

....Petitioner

Versus

Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

Present: Ms. Garima Arora, Advocate
for the applicant/petitioner.

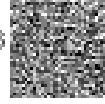
Mr. Viren Sibal, Advocate,
Mr. Satyam Sharda, Advocate and
Mr. Shayon Sen, Advocate
for the respondents.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR, J. (ORAL)**CM-3583-CWP-2026**

Allowed as prayed for.

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1. The present civil writ petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of *certiorari* for quashing the illegal action of the respondents by which they have wrongfully denied the issuance of appointment letter for the post of Assistant Lineman to the petitioner after he had applied for the same in pursuance to advertisement dated 20.02.2025 (Annexure P-1) in light of the facts and circumstances as have been enumerated in the body of the present civil writ petition. Further, for issuance of directions to the respondents to keep the one



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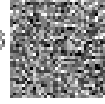
post of Assistant Linemen vacant as has been advertised by the respondents by advertisement dated 20.02.2025 (Annexure P-1) as the petitioner has mentioned cogent grounds in the present petition.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner applied pursuant to advertisement dated 20.02.2025 for the post of Assistant Lineman. The petitioner belongs to a reserved category and the upper age limit for the said post is 42 years after granting relaxation of 05 years to candidates belonging to the reserved category. The petitioner was duly issued an admit card and appeared in the written examination and qualified the same as discernible from Annexure P-3. Thereafter, the petitioner was called for document verification, which he successfully completed. However, several other candidates in the merit list were issued appointment letters, whereas, the petitioner was not offered an appointment letter. The petitioner was orally informed that his candidature had been rejected on the ground that he was over-aged.

3. At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner has limited her prayer to the extent that the present petition be treated as a comprehensive representation and the same be decided in a time bound manner by passing a speaking order after affording the petitioner an opportunity of being heard.

4. Notice of motion.

5. Mr. Viren Sibal, Advocate puts in appearance and accepts notice on behalf of the respondents and submits that the grievance raised by the petitioner in the present writ petition would be considered by passing a speaking order in accordance with the law by respondent(s)/competent authority.



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6. Therefore, in view of the submissions made by the learned counsel for the parties, the present writ petition is disposed of and the respondent(s)/competent authority is directed to treat this writ petition as a comprehensive representation and consider the claim of the petitioner and pass a speaking order after affording him an opportunity to be heard, within a period of 02 months from the date of receiving a certified copy of this order. Further, the decision taken thereof shall be conveyed to the petitioner. Needless to say, if the petitioner is found entitled to the relief sought, the same shall be granted forthwith by the respondents.

(HARPREET SINGH BRAR)
JUDGE

10.03.2026
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Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes/No
Whether reportable	:	Yes/No