



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

CWP-9991-2022

Date of Decision : **06.05.2026**

GURBHAWAN SINGH

.....Petitioner

VERSUS

PUNJAB SCHOOL EDUCATION BOARD AND OTHERS

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI

Present : Mr. Gurpreet Jayia, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Charan Jit Sharma, Advocate,
for the respondents (through V.C.).

KULDEEP TIWARI, J.(Oral)

1. Mr. Gurpreet Jayia, Advocate, has caused appearance on behalf of the petitioner, through a validly executed power of attorney in his favour. The same is taken on record.
2. Through the instant petition, filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India, a prayer is made for issuance of a direction upon the respondents to rectify/correct the name of the petitioner from 'Gurbhawan Singh alias Bachana Singh' to 'Gurbhawan Singh' only in his educational certificates (Annexure P-8 to P-11).
3. Learned counsel for the respondents raised an objection and submits that earlier the petitioner had applied for change of his name from 'Gurbhawan Singh' to 'Gurbhawan Singh alias Bachana Singh', and that request was acceded to by the respondents, and fresh educational certificate with change of name therein, were issued to the petitioner.

Now, after 24 years, he has again applied for change of his name, which cannot be considered by the respondents.

4. When this Court confronted learned counsel for the respondents with the judgement rendered by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in “**Jigyada Yadav (through guardian/father Hari Singh) vs. C.B.S.E. & ORS.**” (Civil Appeal No.3905 of 2011, decided on 03.06.2021), and the new instruction issued vide Notification (181) PSSB-Meeting-2026/166, dated 14.01.2026, and subsequently, adopted by the Board of School Education, Punjab, to which he submitted that the case of the petitioner can be examined in the light of the judgement and notification (*supra*), and thereupon, a speaking order can be passed by the respondents.

5. In view of the above, at this stage, this Court **disposes of** the instant petition, with a limited direction upon the respondents to reconsider the application (Annexure P-12) as preferred by the petitioner, afresh, and thereupon, to pass a fresh speaking order, within a period of six weeks, from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

6. All pending application(s), if any, also stand **disposed of** accordingly.

May 06, 2026
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(KULDEEP TIWARI)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned.	:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable.	:	Yes/No