



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

Sr. No.113

CWP No.9615 of 2025
Date of Decision: 19.05.2026

Ritu

.... Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA

Present: Mr. Sandeep Thakan, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Ms. Tanushree Gupta, Senior Deputy Advocate General,
Haryana.

TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA, J. (ORAL)

The petition has been filed *inter alia* seeking a writ of *certiorari* quashing the order dated 06.01.2024, Annexure P-19, whereby the petitioner's services as Extension Lecturer in Zoology have been dispensed with on account of being ineligible, as also the order dated 21.01.2026, Annexure P-24, whereby her claim for re-adjustment as Extension Lecturer has been rejected in terms of the policy guidelines dated 04.03.2020, on the ground that ineligible Extension Lecturer is not entitled to seek re-adjustment in service.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that the petitioner was awarded M.Phil degree in Zoology on 31.12.2008, which made her eligible for appointment as Assistant Professor without qualification of Ph.D or National Eligibility Test (NET) in terms of the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Awards of M.Phil/Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2009 (for short, 'the UGC Regulations, 2009').



3. Learned State counsel has received instructions from the Department vide memo dated 19.05.2026, a copy whereof is retained on the case file along with its enclosures as Annexure ‘A’. Referring to the same, she contends that the issue of eligibility in terms of the UGC Regulations, 2009, already stands decided against the petitioner by this Court, vide judgment dated 18.02.2025 rendered in CWP No.2499 of 2025 titled *Gaurav Sorot v. State of Haryana and others*. The judgment has been affirmed by the Division bench in LPA No.2607 of 2025 vide decision dated 29.08.2025 with the following observations:

“6. However, it goes without saying that if the appellants acquire the qualification as required under the UGC Regulations, it would be always open to the State or the respective colleges to employ them as Extension Lecturers as and when the posts are available.”

4. In view thereof, there is no ground to entertain the petition, and it stands dismissed with the aforementioned observations.

(TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA)
JUDGE

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