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

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Date of decision: 22.04.2026

Sukhchain Kaur

....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: Mr. T.S. Chauhan, Advocate, and
Mr. Karanpreet Singh, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Siddharth Sandhu, AAG, Punjab.

NAMIT KUMAR, J. (ORAL)

1. Instant petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India seeking a writ of mandamus directing the respondents to consider the petitioner for promotion to the post of Anganwadi Worker as per the policy before the fresh recruitment of Anganwadi Workers starts with all consequential benefits of pay, arrears of pay, seniority and further promotions etc. Further prayer has been made for directing the respondents not to fill up the post of Anganwadi Worker lying vacant in the Centre where the petitioner is working during the pendency of the writ petition.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is fully eligible for promotion to the post of Anganwadi Worker in terms of instructions dated 03.01.2023. However, despite

submission of representation dated 29.08.2025 (Annexure P-6), the

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petitioner has not been promoted and on the other hand, advertisement (Annexure P-8) for appointment of 1316 Anganwadi Workers, was issued, calling applications from the eligible candidates upto 10.12.2025. He further submits that the petitioner would be satisfied, if the said representation is considered and disposed of by passing a speaking order in a time-bound frame.

3. Notice of motion.

4. Mr. Siddharth Sandhu, AAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents and has no objection to the innocuous prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner.

5. I have heard learned counsel for the parties and have gone through the record of the case.

6. Without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case or the claim being made by the petitioner in the present petition, respondent No.3 is directed to consider and decide the claim made by the petitioner in the representation dated 29.08.2025 (Annexure P-6) in accordance with law, by passing a speaking order within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

7. The petition stands disposed of.

22.04.2026
R.S.

(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether Reportable:

Yes/No