



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

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CWP-10222-2026

Date of decision : 06.04.2026

Nimisha Nagpal

....Petitioner

V/S

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE NAMIT KUMAR

Present: Mr. Peeush Gagneja, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Satnampreet Singh Chauhan, D.A.G., Punjab.

NAMIT KUMAR, J. (ORAL)

1. The petitioner has filed the instant petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, seeking issuance of a writ of certiorari for quashing the impugned letter dated 12.01.2026 (served to the petitioner on 17.01.2026 Annexure P-3) as well as reply dated 18.02.2026 (Annexure P-7) served by respondent No.3 without holding an enquiry and without taking any action on respondent No.4-college. Further, seeking issuance of a writ of mandamus, directing respondents No.1 to 3 to take corrective measures against respondents No.4 & 5-college and to give direction to respondent No.4-college to comply with the mandatory provisions of the Maternity Benefits Act, 1961 and Maternity Benefits Act, 2017 and other relevant provisions and to reinstate the petitioner in service, who has been removed from service after submission of application for grant of maternity leave, and to grant her maternity leave and all consequential benefits. Further, directions may be issued to respondents No.1 to 3 to hold a free, fair and impartial inquiry into the matter and to take action against respondent No.4.



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2. After arguing the case for sometime, learned counsel for the petitioner wishes to withdraw the instant petition with liberty to pursue the complaint dated 02.03.2026 filed by the petitioner before the Labour Commissioner, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) (Annexure P-8).
3. Dismissed as withdrawn with liberty aforesaid.

06.04.2026

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(NAMIT KUMAR)
JUDGE

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