



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

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CM-LPA-2832-2026 in/&
LPA No.1159 of 2026 (O&M)
DATE OF DECISION : 28th APRIL, 2026

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.... Appellant

Versus

State of Haryana & others

.... Respondents

**CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ASHWANI KUMAR MISHRA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ROHIT KAPOOR**

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Present : Mr. Gaurav Arya, Advocate;
Mr. Manish Gilhotra, Advocate &
Mr. Naveen Bamel, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Pankaj Middha, Additional Advocate General, Haryana
for respondent No.1-Satte.

Mr. Gurnoor Sandhu, Advocate for respondent No.2-HPSC.

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ASHWANI KUMAR MISHRA, J. (Oral)

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This is an application filed by the applicant under Section 5 of Limitation Act read with Section 151 CPC, seeking condonation of delay of 21 days in filing the present appeal.

For reasons mentioned in the application, which is accompanied with an affidavit, the same is allowed, and the delay of 21 days in filing the present appeal is condoned.

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1. This letters patent appeal assails the judgment of learned Single Judge whereby the appellant's writ in respect of non-consideration of her claim for appointment as Assistant Professor (College Cadre) of Geography as a candidate belonging to Dependents of Ex-serviceman (DESM) category, has been rejected.



2. The candidate had to submit a valid certificate till the last date of filing of the application, which was 15.03.2025. There are two certificates which have been relied upon by the appellant. The first certificate (Annexure P-2) records that it is not for the purpose of job/service. The second certificate is of 17.12.2025, (Annexure P-5) which is after the cut-off date.

3. Learned Single Judge has relied upon a Division Bench judgment of this court in the case of *Haryana Public Service Commission Vs. Pardeep Kumar and others*, passed in LPA-1397-2025, against which a SLP has also been dismissed.

4. On facts, there is no challenge to the findings recorded by the learned Single Judge. We have thus no hesitation in accepting the view taken by the learned Single Judge that a certificate, produced after the cut-off date, cannot be relied upon in view of the settled law.

5. In that view of the matter, the present appeal stands dismissed.

6. All the pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

(ASHWANI KUMAR MISHRA)
JUDGE

28th April, 2026
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(ROHIT KAPOOR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes No

Whether Reportable: Yes No