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

(127)

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Date of Decision : 22.05.2026

Riya Khanna

...Petitioner

Versus

Union of India and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDEEP TIWARI

Present: Mr. Mansangat Singh Kohli, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Anil Chawla, Sr. Panel Counsel
for respondent No.1-Union of India.

Mr. Arun Gosain, Advocate and
Mr. Ramandeep Singh Sandhu, Advocate
for respondent No.3-National Testing Agency.

KULDEEP TIWARI, J.(ORAL)

1. Through the instant writ petition, cast under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India, a prayer is made for issuance of *mandamus*, upon the respondents No.2 and 3, to permit the petitioner to appear in the upcoming UGC-NET Examination (June Session), while wearing a spinal brace belt around her waist. Further prayer is made to allot the examination centre at Chandigarh, and make suitable arrangements for her to write the examination on the ground floor.

2. The reasons, which are spelled out in the instant writ petition are that the petitioner has recently underwent treatment for spinal tuberculosis.



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3. Learned counsel for the respondent No.3-National Testing Agency, submits that one of the request of the petitioner has already been adhered to, with regard to wearing of medical support, subject to submission of appropriate medical certificate/documents, at the examination centre for verification purposes. He further submits that as far as the other two prayers of the petitioner are concerned, the same are under active consideration, and a decision thereon, positively be taken and conveyed to the petitioner, at the best, five days prior from the date of examination, in case, she abide by the undertaking, which is annexed with the instant writ petition as Annexure P-7.

4. In view of the above statement suffered by learned counsel appearing on behalf of the respondent No.3, no further direction is required to be passed in the instant writ petition, and the same is hereby **closed**.

5. However, this Court is sanguine that respondent No.3, shall adhere to the undertaking given before this Court.

6. Consequently, the instant writ petition is **disposed of**.

(KULDEEP TIWARI)
JUDGE

May 22, 2026
Manpreet

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