



IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

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CWP-16801-2026

Decided on : 25.05.2026

GURWINDER KAUR ALIAS GURINDER KAUR

. .Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ORS

. . . Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE DEEPAK MANCHANDA

Present: Mr. Arshdeep Singh Kler, Advocate and
Mr. Saurav Bhatia, Advocate and
Mr. Navdeep S. Khokhar, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Jastej Singh, Addl. A.G. Punjab.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI , J. (Oral)

1. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the issue raised in the present petition has already been decided by passing order in CWP No.16706-2026, the present petition be also disposed of with the same terms.
2. Notice of motion.
3. Learned State Counsel does not object.
4. Disposed of in terms of CWP No.16706-2026, which is reproduced as under:-

1. By this common order, all the aforementioned petitions, the details of which have been given in the heading, are being disposed of as, all the petitions involve the same question of law on similar facts.

2. Challenge in the present petition is to the rejection of nomination papers of candidates seeking to contest in the upcoming elections as well as to the voter list prepared qua the wards in which such elections are to be held.

3. After arguing for some time, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the present writ petition may kindly be disposed of having been not pressed any further with liberty to the petitioners to file Election



Petition in case need so arises after the conclusion of election process.

4. *Ordered accordingly.*

5. *It goes without saying that the Election Tribunal will remain bound by the directions issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in SLP (C) No. 25527 of 2024, titled as "**Sunita Rani and others v. State of Punjab and others**" to decide the election petition as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of six months from the date of its filing, subject to the cooperation of the parties.*

6. *It is further noted that in case, after the decision of the election petition, the Election Tribunal finds the culpability at part of any officer discharging the duties while conducting the elections, that such officer violated any provisions of law or acted against law, the Election Tribunal will be within its jurisdiction to pass an appropriate order qua initiation of disciplinary proceedings against such officer(s) so that in future no such misconduct causing prejudice to any contesting candidate ever happens again on the part of the electoral machinery.*

7. *The petitions are disposed of in the above terms.*

8. *Civil miscellaneous application pending, if any, is also disposed of.*

9. *A photocopy of this order be placed on the files of the connected cases."*

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

(DEEPAK MANCHANDA)
JUDGE

25.05.2026

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No