

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

CWP-25828-2025

Date of decision: 16.04.2026

UNION OF INDIA AND ORS

...Petitioners

VERSUS

JOGINDER SINGH AND ORS

...Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE YASHVIR SINGH RATHOR**

Present: Mr. Maneesh Bali, Senior Panel Counsel for the petitioners.

Mr. Ashok Kumar Chauhan, Advocate for the respondents.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J. (Oral)

1. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that, keeping in view the order passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in '***Union of India & Ors. Vs. Balakrishnan Mullikote***', 233 SC 2026 LiveLaw (SC) 292 whereby shortfall in qualifying service has been condoned upto a period of 1 years and 03 months and as the shortfall in qualifying service to be condoned is only 01 year and 74 days, the present petition is covered against the Union of India. Keeping in view the very fair stand taken by learned counsel and in view of the settled principle of law laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in ***Balakrishnan Mullikote's*** case (supra), the present petition is dismissed.

2. Pending misc. application (s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

(YASHVIR SINGH RATHOR)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned :

Yes

Whether Reportable :

No

