



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

LPA-668-2017 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 15.01.2026

RINKU AND ANOTHER ... APPELLANTS

VS.

STATE OF HARYANA AND ANOTHER .. RESPONDENTS

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

Present: Mr. Vivek Khatri, Advocate,
for the appellants.

Mr. Nitin Kaushal, Addl. A.G. Haryana.

Mr. Balvinder Sangwan, Advocate,
for respondent No.2.

ASHWANI KUMAR MISHRA, J. (ORAL)

Learned Single Judge has declined to interfere with the decision of the Haryana Public Service Commission ('Commission') in refusing to entertain the appellants' claim on the ground that, in terms of the advertisement, the hard copy of the application was not submitted by the prescribed date. Upon exchange of affidavits, the learned Single Judge has found that, in fact, the hard copy was never furnished.

The appellants' claim that they had delivered the hard copy to the Commission has not been substantiated. Once that be the position, and the requirement of submission of the hard copy having been specified in the advertisement itself, the action of the Commission in rejecting the claim of the appellants cannot be faulted. The view taken by the learned Single Judge appears to be in accord with the principle of law laid down by the Larger

Bench of this Court in '**Rahul Prabhakar Vs. Punjab Technical University, Jalandhar, 1998 AIR (Punjab) 18**', as well as Full Bench Judgment of the Allahabad High Court in '**Rajendra Patel Vs. State of U.P. And another**'. Similar views have also been taken by other High Courts.

In that view of the matter, we find no merit in the present appeal and the same is, accordingly, dismissed.

Pending applications, if any, stand disposed of.

(ASHWANI KUMAR MISHRA)
JUDGE

(ROHIT KAPOOR)
JUDGE

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