



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

**LPA-3530-2025 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 09.02.2026**

**S.P SINGH AND OTHERS ... APPELLANTS
VS.
HARYANA STATE MINOR IRRIGATION AND TUBEWELL
CORPORATION AND ANOTHER .. RESPONDENTS**

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

Present: Mr. Nitin Goswami, Advocate,
for the appellants.

Mr. Rajesh Gaur, Additional Advocate General, Haryana.

ASHWANI KUMAR MISHRA, J. (ORAL)

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Prayer in the present application is for condonation of delay of
75 days in re-filing the present appeal.

For the reasons stated in the application, the same is allowed
and delay of 75 days in re-filing the present appeal is condoned.

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This appeal arises out of an order passed by learned Single
Judge on 10.07.2025, whereby the appellants' claim for promotion has been
rejected on the ground that the Corporation, where the appellants were
appointed, itself has been closed down.

Learned counsel for the appellants submits that the appellants
were promoted to the post of Assistant Geohydrologist in 1987. They were
then promoted to the post of Junior Geohydrologist in 1997. Argument is

that three posts had fallen vacant in 1989 of Junior Geohydrologist and, therefore, they ought to have been promoted to such post in 1989 itself.

Although, various submissions are advanced but neither the appellants are able to demonstrate any right of consideration for promotion in accordance with the applicable service rules nor the appellants have been able to explain as to why in respect of cause which arose to him in 1987, the writ petition came to be filed in 2001 which was nearly 12 years thereafter. The appellants otherwise were promoted to the post of Junior Geohydrologist in 1997. Mere making representations in such circumstances would not be of much relevance. Law is otherwise settled that right of consideration for promotion can only be in accordance with rules and unless such entitlement is shown to arise in terms of the applicable rules, no direction can be issued in favour of the appellants.

The appeal lacks merit and is accordingly dismissed.

Pending applications, if any, also stand disposed of.

(ASHWANI KUMAR MISHRA)
JUDGE

(ROHIT KAPOOR)
JUDGE

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