

**CWP-27794-2025 (O&M)****-1-****IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH****118****CWP-27794-2025 (O&M)****Date of Decision: 19.03.2026****Pawan Kumar****...Petitioner****Versus****State of Punjab and others****...Respondents****CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JAGMOHAN BANSAL**

Present: - Mr. Sunil Kumar, Advocate for the petitioner

Mr. Aman Dhir, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab

Mr. Prateek Sodhi, Advocate and

Mr. Divanshu Jain, Advocate for respondent No.4

JAGMOHAN BANSAL, J. (Oral)

1. The petitioner through instant petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India is seeking directions to respondent to conduct inquiry on his e-mails alleging that respondent No.4-Gurnam Singh does not belong to Scheduled Caste Category.

2. In view of interim orders of this Court, respondent-State conducted inquiry. As per inquiry report dated 21.01.2026 of District Social Justice Empowerment Officer, Patiala, the private respondent belongs to Sirkiband (Scheduled Caste). The inquiry was conducted from the office of District Revenue Officer, Patiala; Education Department and Village Panchayat. In the inquiry, it was found that there is no substance in the allegation of complainant.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that private respondent by birth does not belong to State of Punjab. He has migrated to State of Punjab, thus, cannot be considered as Scheduled Caste in the State

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4. Learned counsel for respondent No.4 submits that respondent has not availed benefit of reservation while getting employment. As he has not availed benefit of reservation, it is immaterial whether he by birth belongs to State of Punjab or any other State. His caste does not change with the change of State though he may not be entitled to benefit of reservation.

5. Learned State counsel submits that competent authority has conducted thorough inquiry into the matter and no further inquiry is required. The petitioner is just wasting valuable time of the officials as well as this Court.

6. Heard the arguments and perused the record.

7. From the perusal of record, it is evident that respondent-State has conducted detailed inquiry and as per inquiry report dated 21.01.2026, private respondent belongs to Sirkiband (Scheduled Caste). He has not availed benefit of reservation while seeking employment, thus, allegations of petitioner are meaningless. He wants to settle some personal score with private respondent.

8. In the wake of above discussion and findings, this Court is of the considered opinion that present petition deserves to be dismissed and accordingly dismissed.

9. Pending application(s), if any, shall stand disposed of.

(JAGMOHAN BANSAL)
JUDGE

19.03.2026*Mohit Kumar*

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