

24.02.2026 Present: Mr. Hirdaya Ram, Advocate, for the petitioners.

Mr. R.P. Singh, Deputy Advocate General for the respondents-State.

By way of this petition, the petitioners are assailing the appointments which have been made to the post of Para Pump Operators. There are four petitioners in the writ petition but they do not belong to the same category. Whereas the petitioners namely Naresh Kumar and Budh Singh belong to Scheduled Caste Category, who are aggrieved by the fact that the candidates who have been selected under Scheduled Caste category had secured more marks than the candidates selected under the General category, the petitioner, namely, Prakash Singh belongs to EWS category and petitioner, namely, Manmohan Sharma belongs to OBC category. This petition has been filed on the affidavit of Naresh Kumar. This Court is of the considered view that though a joint petition on behalf of petitioners Naresh Kumar and Budh Singh, who belong to same category, may be maintainable on the strength of the affidavit filed by Naresh Kumar but the petition on behalf of petitioners Prakash Singh and Manmohan Sharma is not maintainable as Naresh Kumar can file affidavit supporting the case of Scheduled Caste category candidates but not other.

Faced with this situation, learned Counsel for the petitioners submits that this petition be treated on behalf of

petitioners No. 1 and 2, namely, Naresh Kumar and Budh Singh only and petitioner No. 3 and 4, namely, Prakash Singh and Manmohan Sharma, be allowed to withdraw the petition with liberty to approach the Court independently. Prayer allowed. Present petition is treated on behalf of petitioners No. 1 and 2, namely, Naresh Kumar and Budh Singh only and petitioners No. 3 and 4, namely, Prakash Sinng and Manmohan Sharma, are allowed to withdraw this petition on their behalf with liberty as prayed for. Registry is directed to strike off the names of petitioners No. 3 and 4 from the memo of parties.

In light of the issue that has been raised by the petitioner, this Court is of the considered view that issuance of notice to the private respondents is necessary because any order passed in favour of the petitioners by the Court will adversely affect them. Accordingly, Registry to issue notice to respondents No. 6 to 9, on petitioners taking steps for service within one week, returnable for 10.04.2026.

**(Ajay Mohan Goel)**  
**Judge**

February 24, 2026  
(narender)