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

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CWP-15019-2026

Date of Decision: **14.05.2026s**

Lakhbir Trikha

....Petitioner

VERSUS

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

Present : Mr. Manoj Kumar Sood, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Pratibha Bali, AAG Punjab.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR, J. (Oral)

1. The present writ petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of a writ in the nature of *mandamus* directing the respondents to consider the petitioner for promotion to the post of Joint Controller (F&A) or Assistant Commissioner.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner at this stage submits that he would be satisfied if a direction is issued to the respondent No.1 to decide the legal notice dated 09.02.2026 (Annexure P-6) by passing a speaking order in a time bound manner.

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3. On advance notice, Ms. Pratibha Bali, Assistant Advocate General accepts notice on behalf of respondents-State and submits that she has no objection in case a direction is issued to the respondent No.1/competent authority to hear and decide the legal notice dated 09.02.2026 (Annexure P-6) by passing a speaking order in a time bound manner.

4. In view of the limited prayer made by counsel for the petitioner without commenting upon the merits of the case, the present petition is disposed of and the respondent No.1/competent authority is directed to hear and decide the legal notice dated 09.02.2026 (Annexure P-6) by passing a speaking order in a time bound manner, within a period of three months from the date of receiving a certified copy of this order. Further the decision taken thereof shall be conveyed to the petitioner.

5. Needless to say, if the petitioner is found entitled to the relief sought, the same be granted forthwith by respondent/competent authority.

6. Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, shall also stands disposed of.

(HARPREET SINGH BRAR)
JUDGE

14.05.2026
Puneet Chawla

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