

**HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE FOR RAJASTHAN AT
JODHPUR**

S.B. Civil Writ Petition No. 23771/2025

Kishor Kumar Ojha S/o Ghanshyam Das Ojha, Aged About 48 Years, R/o Soordasani Street Barah Guwar, Bikaner, District Bikaner (Raj.).

----Petitioner

Versus

1. The State Of Rajasthan, Through The Secretary, Department Of Personnel, Jaipur.
2. The Secretary Department Of Animal Husbandry, Jaipur.
3. The Director, Department Of Animal Husbandry, Jaipur.
4. The Staff Selection Board, Durgapura, Jaipur, Through Secretary.

----Respondents

For Petitioner(s) : Mr. Lokesh Mathur with
Mr. Vivek Agarwal

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MUNNURI LAXMAN

Order

08/12/2025

1. Heard on the stay application.
2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner made an application for the post of Animal Attendant in the advertisement dated 06.10.2023 and the last date for receiving applications was 11.11.2023. Rule 10 of the Rajasthan Animal Husbandry Subordinate Service Rules, 1977 (hereinafter referred to as 'the Rules of 1977') requires that a candidate must have attained the upper age limit of 40 years on the first day of January next following the last date fixed for receipt of applications. In the present case, the last date fixed for applications is 11.11.2023. As such, the upper age criteria has to be fulfilled by 01.01.2024. The petitioner belongs to the EWS category and he took age relaxation under the EWS category. After taking such relaxation, he fulfilled the eligibility criteria of upper age on 01.01.2024 as per Rule 10 of

the Rules of 1977. However, by corrigendum issued by the respondents, the cut off has been shifted from 11.11.2023 to 17.02.2024, thereby the next first day of January following the last date fixed for receipt of applications by applying Rule 10 of the Rules of 1977 is 01.01.2025 which would be the eligibility criteria to meet upper age limit. By virtue of the corrigendum, the persons who are eligible at the threshold of first cut off date were made ineligible which cannot be done in the middle of the selection process.

3. This Court is satisfied with the above contentions. In the said circumstances, respondents are directed to reserve one post of Animal Attendant under the EWS category till further orders.

4. Issue notice to the respondents, returnable within a period of four weeks.

5. List the matter on **27.01.2026**.

(MUNNURI LAXMAN),J