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

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**CWP-5995-2025 (O&M).
Date of Decision: 04.03.2025.**

NARENDER

... Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE VINOD S. BHARDWAJ.

Present: Mr. V.S. Rathee, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Ms. Tanisha Peshawaria, DAG, Haryana.

VINOD S. BHARDWAJ, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner has approached this Court raising a challenge to the order dated 12.08.2024 (Annexure P-15) whereby the claim of the petitioner has been rejected by the respondents on the ground that "as per verification report received from the Sports Department, the Sports Gradation Certificate could not be verified by the competent Authority and therefore, only for the said reason the petitioner's name was not included in the revised result dated 14.07.2024 (Annexure P-12).

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2 Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the sports certificate of the petitioner shows that he had participated in the 35th Junior National Kabaddi Championship (Boys & Girls) held in Tamilnadu under the Auspices of Amateur Kabaddi Federation of India at Theni, Tamilnadu from 15th of January to 18th of January, 2009 and a certificate in this regard was issued by the Organizer Theni District Amateur Kabaddi Association.

3 Learned State counsel who is present in the Court on advance copy of the petition having been supplied, on instructions from Sh. Azad Singh, Superintendent, Sports Department, Haryana, submits that the Commission had sought verification of the sports certificate produced by the petitioner along with his application and that the Commission had received an e-mail from Amateur Kabaddi Federation of India i.e. National Sports Federation on 17.09.2024 as per which there is no record pertaining to 35th Junior National Kabaddi Championship (Boys & Girls) available and hence, the National Sports Federation is not in a position to verify the same.

4 Since the requirement for seeking sports gradation certificate is that a candidate should have participated in a sporting event which is organized by a body affiliated not only to the Sports Federation but also to the National Sports Federation of the given sport which is further recognized by the Indian Olympic Association. In the event of the link not being complete, such a sporting event cannot be taken into consideration for issuance of a sports gradation certificate. Since the National Sports Federation has failed to verify the sports certificate produced by the

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petitioner, hence, no fault or error can be said to exist in the order passed by the respondent authorities at this stage.

5 The present writ petition is accordingly dismissed at this stage.

March 04, 2025.

(VINOD S. BHARDWAJ)

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JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned : *Yes/No*

Whether reportable : *Yes/No*