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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH
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Date of Decision: 29.05.2025**

DR. SATYENDRA NARAIN SINGH

..... PETITIONER

VERSUS

STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS

....RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA

Present: Mr. Lalit Pardhan, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Anil Mehta, Advocate for respondent no. 3/University.

TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA, J. (ORAL)

The petition has been filed *inter alia* seeking a writ of *certiorari* quashing the orders dated 21.05.2025 and 23.05.2025, Annexures P-7 and P-8, respectively, whereby the petitioner's case for grant of Academic Grade Pay (AGP) under Career Advancement Scheme (CAS) has been rejected in terms of "Revised minimum qualifications for appointment of teachers and other academic staff including Librarians and Directors of Physical Education and sports in Universities and Colleges and measures for the maintenance of Standards in Higher Education, 2022 based on University Grants Commission Regulations 2018", notified by the Government vide memo dated 11.11.2022, Annexure P-9.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contended that petitioner joined service as Lecturer/Assistant Professor on 01.12.1998 in respondent no. 5/College, when it was a self financing education institution. Later, it started receiving grant-in-aid from the Government in 2009. The petitioner



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remained in service and superannuated therefrom in 2020. His case for grant of benefit of Academic Grade Pay (AGP) under CAS has been wrongly rejected vide impugned orders dated 21.05.2025 and 23.05.2025, though he has the requisite years of service to his credit from the date of initial joining, and fulfilled other conditions also.

3. A perusal of the impugned order dated 21.05.2025 shows the rejection is on the following grounds:

In regards to AGP case of Dr. S. N. Singh, Assistant Professor (Retd), it is also inform that as per the provisions laid down in Para 6.3 (V) of State Govt. Guidelines issued vide letter 11.11.2022 for promotion under CAS, the applicant teacher must be on the roll and in active service of the college on the date of consideration by the Selection Committee. Thus the case of Dr. S.N. Singh who has already retired is not considerable.

There is a clear stipulation in clause 6.3(v) or the Revised qualifications that a teacher must be on the rolls and in active service in the University/College on the date of consideration for the benefits under CAS. Admittedly, the petitioner is claiming the benefit from 18.12.2007 after superannuation from service. Accordingly, no exception can be taken to the impugned order rejecting his claim as there cannot be any consideration at this stage.

4. In view thereof, there is no merit in the petition, and it stands dismissed.

(TRIBHUVAN DAHIYA)
JUDGE

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