

ITEM NO.42

COURT NO.2

SECTION IV-B

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

SPECIAL LEAVE PETITION (CIVIL) DIARY NO(S). 47900/2024

[Arising from the impugned judgment and final order dated 14.10.2024 passed by the division bench of the Hon'ble High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh dismissing Civil Writ Petition No. 26542 of 2024]

SUNITA RANI & ORS.

PETITIONER(S)

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB & ORS.

RESPONDENT(S)

(IA No. 239527/2024 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING C/C OF THE IMPUGNED JUDGMENT IA No. 239531/2024 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T.
IA No. 239518/2024 - PERMISSION TO FILE SLP WITHOUT CERTIFIED/PLAIN COPY OF IMPUGNED ORDER)

Date : 18-10-2024 This matter was called on for hearing today.

CORAM :

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJIV KHANNA
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR

For Petitioner(s) Mr. Ajit Pravin Wagh, AOR

For Respondent(s)

UPON hearing the counsel, the Court made the following
O R D E R

Permission to file special leave petition, without a certified/plain copy of the impugned order, is granted. Certified copy will be filed once made available by the copying agency, within the limitation period.

It is stated that about 836 writ petitions were filed before the High Court making allegations that

nomination papers have been wrongly rejected or candidates were not permitted to file their nomination papers.

It is stated that in most cases, only one candidate had submitted the nomination paper and was, therefore, declared elected unopposed.

It is also submitted that a detailed interim order was passed granting stay and the matters were listed on 16.10.2024. However, the writ petitions were taken up for hearing on 14.10.2024, without the matters being shown in the cause list which was circulated or individual notices being served on the counsel for the petitioners.

In two other matters, we had directed the petitioners to approach the High Court by way of appropriate application stating these facts. Liberty was reserved for those petitioners to approach this Court impugning the orders passed. In the said cases, the petitioners before this Court had not filed a copy of the impugned order, stating that the same had not been uploaded. There was also some doubt in our minds as to whether the said writ petitions were actually disposed of in view of the screenshots placed on record showing them as 'Pending'.

The petitioners in this case submits that the impugned order has still not been uploaded. However, he has filed a gist of the impugned order.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that as the election results have been declared, the petitioners

would like to file an election petition, but directions may be issued for expeditious disposal of the election petition in view of the peculiar facts of the case.

In view of the submission made by the learned counsel for the petitioners, issue notice returnable in the week commencing 18.11.2024.

Notice will be served by all modes, including *dasti*.

Notice may be served through the standing/nominated counsel for the State of Punjab.

(GEETA AHUJA)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(R.S. NARAYANAN)
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR