

CENTRAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL CHANDIGARH BENCH

Order Sheet

Item no.: 30
O.A./1156/2021 (CHANDIGARH)
[PROMOTION]
With
M.A./2161/2021
Court No.: 2

No of Adjournment: 26

Order Dated: 11/05/2026

**ANIL KUMAR
Vs
BHARAT SANCHAR NIGAM LIMITED**

For Applicant(s) Advocate : SH. MAHESH SHARMA

For Respondent(s) Advocate : SH.K.K.THAKUR

Order of The Tribunal

During the course of arguments, learned counsel for respondents submits that core issue relating to reservation in promotion in BSNL is under adjudication before the Hon'ble Apex Court in SLP No. 15559-15560/2017 (BSNL & Anr. Vs. Swinderjit Singh & Ors). Owing to the pendency of the matter before the Hon'ble Apex Court, the Hon'ble High Court has also adjourned CWP No. 7001/2018 (BSNL Vs. Indal Singh) sine die, considering that the outcome of said SLP will have direct bearing on the question involved in CWP.

Therefore, judicial discipline and propriety demands that the present OA may also be deferred until the outcome of the aforesaid SLP.

Per contra, learned counsel for applicants has opposed the contention of the respondents and submits that the grievance of the applicants herein is not with regard to the claim of reservation in promotion. The applicants have prayed for carrying forward of the unfilled vacancies of year 2013-2014 for the purpose of LICE, conducted for the year 2014-2015.

The applicants have also prayed for declaration of result of LICE pertaining to Punjab Circle conducted in year 2014-2015. He further submits that Rajasthan Telecom Circle on 24.06.2017 (Annexure A-10) had scheduled the training program of JTO (T) for vacancy year 2015-2016, whereby, Rajasthan Telecom Circle has promoted the

similarly situated persons, even juniors to the applicants.

Having considered the contention of both the sides, respondent no. 1 is directed to file specific affidavit explaining that the issue under adjudication before the Hon'ble Apex Court by way of SLP is also related to carrying forward of vacancies or identical to the issue herein.

It is also to be clarified as to whether Rajasthan Telecom Circle has completed the promotion process to the cadre of JTO(T) for the vacancy year 2015-2016 after carrying forward of vacancies of previous year.

List on 20.07.2026.

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