

Grind begins for Police Job Aspirants

Youngsters who had applied for the post of police constables had to go through a gruelling day today, as they have not received their admit cards so far despite the fact that the trials are scheduled to begin in two days.

Hundreds of them were seen outside the single-window office of the Police Commissionerate fretting for not having received the admit cards.

Several youths had come from far off places and were seen standing in queues at the single-window office since early morning, but were made to wait till the afternoon.

They complained that they were disappointed with the mismanagement of the Police Department in handling the issue.

“We have been standing here since morning and are being made to wait. Applying for this job already looks like a mistake, but what to do, there are hardly any government jobs around,” a harried applicant said.

The Punjab Police Department has sought applications for the recruitment of around 6,000 male and more than 1,400 female constables. While some of the candidates have received their admit cards, a large number of them were yet to receive it, reportedly due to some errors in the forms.

A police official said the youths, who had not received admit cards, had been informed to make corrections in the forms.

Gurcharanpreet Singh, one of the applicants from Ucchi Mangli village near Kohara, said he came all the way to make corrections because he had not received his admit card.

“I filled my form on June 30. I waited but the admit card did not come. So I came here to collect it,” said Gagandeep Singh, another applicant.

Another youth said it was sheer mismanagement on the part of the Police Department. “First, they have not sent the admit card, and now there is total chaos on how they are going about with the corrections,” he said.

“It is a humid day and there are no seating arrangements as well. Only a couple of fans have been placed to cater to hundreds of applicants, which is insufficient. There is no system at all,” another youngster said.

When asked, DCP Ludhiana Dhruvan Nimble, however, said: “Only those candidates, whose forms were incomplete, were called, but a large number of youths turned up because of some confusion.”

Some of them thought they were being another chance to apply. He said the candidates who had not filled the forms had been informed through SMS.