

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP No. 17522 of 2014 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 23.01.2015.

Savitri Devi

--Petitioner

Versus

State of Haryana & others

--Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.

Present:- Dr. S.K. Redhu, Advocate for the petitioner.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.J

The petitioner, who is currently serving as Sub Inspector under the Haryana Police, has filed the instant writ petition impugning the order dated 20.11.2012 (Annexure P-20) passed by the D.G.P., Haryana, whereby her claim seeking promotion to the rank of Inspector w.e.f the date her alleged juniors had been so promoted, stands rejected.

Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner has raised a submission while referring to a seniority list pertaining to Rohtak Range, Rohtak at Annexure P-12 to submit that Sunita Rani as also Nirmala Devi, who are juniors to the petitioner have earned promotions to the rank of Sub Inspector w.e.f an earlier date i.e. 24.9.2007 and have now been further promoted even as Inspectors.

Having heard learned counsel for the petitioner at length and having perused the pleadings on record, this Court is of the considered view that no basis for interference is made out.

A perusal of the impugned order dated 20.11.2012 would show that 15 posts of Inspectors and 40 posts of Sub Inspectors were converted from Male to Female Cadre in terms of an order dated 11.3.2004, issued by

the D.G.P. As the conversion of posts was without approval having been obtained from the State Govt., such order was withdrawn on 10.1.2006. Consequently, 6 Lady Inspectors were reverted as Sub Inspectors vide order dated 23/24.6.2006. This included even the present petitioner. The direct consequence was that name of the petitioner was removed from List E and she was reverted from the rank of Sub Inspector to that of A.S.I vide order dated 5.2.2007. Thereafter, the petitioner was again promoted as Sub Inspector on 20.3.2008.

It is not in dispute that the petitioner had assailed such action of reversion from the rank of Sub Inspector to A.S.I by filing CWP No.5365 of 2006 in this Court and the same had been dismissed on 4.12.2006.

The action of the respondent authorities in having reverted the petitioner from the rank of Sub Inspector to that of A.S.I in the year 2006 having been upheld and thereafter the petitioner having been promoted as Sub Inspector in due course on 20.3.2008, the claim for further promotion to the post of Inspector will have to be reckoned from such date.

The reasoning adopted by the D.G.P., Haryana in the impugned order dated 20.11.2012 is taken to be well founded. No infirmity in the same is found.

Writ petition is, accordingly, dismissed.

(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

January 23, 2015.
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