

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

Civil Writ Petition No.26424 of 2015

Date of decision: 18.12.2015

Satish Kumar and others

...Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE G.S.SANDHAWALIA

Present: Mr. Vikas Singh, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. R.S.Sidhu, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab
for the respondents.

G.S.SANDHAWALIA, J. (Oral)

The relief sought is for grant of 8/16/24/32 years proficiency step up increment to the petitioners.

It is the case of the petitioners that they are working as Watchmen with the respondent department and posted at Jalalabad, Guru Har Sahai and Bathinda. The petitioners have been serving since 1980 and are entitled for the above said benefit. It is pleaded that one Dalip Singh who had retired had got the said benefit on account of a direction issued by this Court in **Civil Writ Petition No.12621 of 2011-Dalip Singh Vs. State of Punjab and others** decided on 25.7.2014 (Annexure P/2).

Counsel for the petitioner submits that he would be satisfied if a direction is issued to respondent no.2 to decide the legal notice dated 21.7.2015 (Annexure P/5) which is still pending decision within some time bound frame.

Notice of motion.

Mr. R.S.Sidhu, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab accepts notice on behalf of respondents. Copy of the writ petition has been supplied to him.

Keeping in view the limited relief sought by the petitioners, this Court is of the opinion that there is no requirement of receiving any reply on behalf of the State.

Accordingly, without commenting upon the merits of the case the present writ petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent no.2 to take into consideration the legal notice dated 21.7.2015 (Annexure P/5) and pass an appropriate orders in accordance with law within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order. If the petitioners are found entitled for the said benefit, the same be paid within two months thereafter. In case any adverse order is to be passed on the said issue then a reasoned order be passed by the said respondent

The present writ petition is disposed off with the aforesaid directions.

December 18, 2015
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(G.S.SANDHAWALIA)
Judge