

CWP No. 8288 of 2015

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

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Date of Decision: April 30, 2015

Surinder Pal Singh

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab & others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH

Present: Mr. Girish Agnihotri, Senior Advocate with
Mr. Arvind Seth, Advocate
for the petitioner.

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH, J. (Oral):

Learned Senior Counsel for the petitioner submits that persons junior to the petitioner have been promoted to the post of Chief Engineer although the petitioner is the senior most Superintending Engineer in the respondent department. He contends that two posts of Chief Engineer are falling vacant on 30.04.2015 i.e. today. Petitioner being the senior most in the department is entitled to the benefit of promotion for the said post but the respondents are not considering the claim of the petitioner for promotion. Highlighting this aspect, petitioner has submitted a representation dated 17.04.2015 (Annexure P-4) to the Principal Secretary, Government of Punjab, Department of Irrigation-respondent No.2 which has not yet been responded to.

Learned Senior Counsel for the petitioner states that he

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would make a detailed representation to the Principal Secretary, Government of Punjab, Department of Irrigation-respondent No.2 within a period of five days from today which may be directed to be considered and decided at an early date keeping in view the fact that two posts of Chief Engineer are falling vacant and petitioner is going to be retired on 31.08.2015.

In the light of the statement made by learned Senior Counsel for the petitioner, without going into the merits of the case or commenting thereon, the present writ petition is disposed of with liberty to the petitioner to submit a detailed representation to the Principal Secretary, Government of Punjab, Department of Irrigation-respondent No.2, within a period of five days from today, the same shall be considered and decided by the said respondent within a period of three weeks from the date of submission of such representation. Decision so taken be conveyed to the petitioner forthwith.

Copy of this order be given dasti under signatures of the Court Secretary to the counsel for the petitioner.

April 30, 2015

Harish

**(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE**