

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

Date of decision: 03.03.2016

CWP No.13125 of 2015

Shital Ram

...Petitioner

Vs.

State of Punjab & others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJIV NARAIN RAINA

Present: Mr. M.S.Rana, Advocate, for the petitioner.

Mr. Vaibhav Sharma, DAG, Punjab.

RAJIV NARAIN RAINA, J. (ORAL)

The petitioner's claim is for his enhancing pension on the ground that he discharged duties of Drawing & Disbursing Officer [DDO] in the substantive rank of Head Master while serving in a Government School.

The State has explained that the petitioner has been compensated for extra work performed as DDO by payment of an allowance.

In such a situation, the extra pay for discharging duties and responsibilities of a DDO does not form part of pay scale prescribed for the post of Head Master. Assigning such duties does not amount to a promotion as it is well settled that the responsibilities of DDO can be given to any Officer to facilitate payment of salaries and other service benefits to the staff on a regular basis. These are in the nature of extra financial duties to facilitate payments of money. The extra payment would not translate in increasing salary in the last pay drawn certificate. Therefore, the prayer for

enhancing pension by adding extra payment for extra work towards pension is wholly misconceived.

Consequently, the present writ petition is dismissed.

[RAJIV NARAIN RAINA]
JUDGE

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