

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH.**

CWP No.12308 of 2016

Date of Decision:-04.07.2016

Nirmal Singh Bath.

.....Petitioner.

Versus

State of Punjab & Anr.

.....Respondents.

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present:- Mr. Raj Paul Kansal, Advocate for the Petitioner.

JASWANT SINGH, J.(ORAL)

Petitioner retired on reaching the age of superannuation on 30.06.1993 from the post of Lecturer in Political Science, Education Department, Government of Punjab.

His claim for grant of higher pay scale on acquisition of Post Graduate Qualification was dismissed vide a detailed speaking order dated 27.06.1997 (P-5).

The petitioner has challenged the aforesaid order (P-5) by filing the present writ petition under Article 226 of the Constitution after a delay of 19 years without their being any explanation for such inordinate and culpable delay.

Counsel for the petitioner heard at length.

Even a civil suit would be barred by limitation, therefore, no ground for invoking the jurisdiction under Article 226 of the Constitution is warranted on the ground of delay and laches.

Dismissed.

**(JASWANT SINGH)
JUDGE**

July 04, 2016