

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

**CWP NO.16429 OF 2016(O&M)
DATE OF DECISION:29.08.2016**

Karam Singh

... Petitioner

versus

State of Haryana & others

... Respondents

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

Present: Mr. Naveen Daryal, Advocate for the petitioner.

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TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J.

Petitioner is serving as a Driver under the Haryana State Transport Department.

Counsel has adverted to document placed on record at Annexure P-4 to submit that the petitioner is senior to his colleagues, namely, Jagdish Lal and Jagbir Singh.

It is contended that in the light of the order dated 26.06.2014 (Annexure P-2) passed by the General Manager, Haryana Roadways, Panipat, petitioner was granted benefit of 1st, 2nd and 3rd Assured Career Progression Grade Pay w.e.f. 01.07.2013, 04.03.2014 and 04.03.2014 respectively.

Grievance raised in the present petition is that even after grant of benefit of ACP, the aforementioned two juniors, namely, Jagdish Lal and Jagbir Singh are getting higher pay.

Counsel submits that under the Instructions dated 02.06.2008 issued by the Financial Commissioner and Principal Secretary to Government of Haryana, Finance Department at Annexure P-3, petitioner is

entitled to the relief of stepping up so as to bring his emoluments at par with the junior employees.

Without going into the merits of the case and without even ascertaining the correctness of the averments made in the petition, I deem it appropriate to dispose of the present petition with a direction to respondents No.2 and 3 to consider the claim of the petitioner strictly in accordance with law and by passing a well reasoned speaking order on the legal notice dated 09.02.2016 (Annexure P-7) which is stated to have already been served by the petitioner within a period of four months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

Disposed of.

29.08.2016

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**(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE**

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| i) | Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes |
| ii) | Whether reportable? | No |