

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

**CWP No.6585 of 2015 (O&M)
Date of decision : November 15, 2016**

Dharam Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDIP SINGH

Present:- Mr. Om Pal Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.

Ms. Vandana Malhotra, Addl. A.G., Punjab.

1. Whether the Reporters of local newspaper may be allowed to see the judgment ?
2. To be referred to the Reporter or not.
3. Whether the judgment should be reported in the digest ?

KULDIP SINGH J. (ORAL)

Petitioner has prayed that his past service as Art and Craft Teacher rendered by him in Mahatma Public High School, Maili, District Hoshiarpur should be computed for the purpose of grant of pensionary benefits. Petitioner served in Mahatma Public High School, Maili, District Hoshiarpur from 05.09.1964 to 18.02.1972. Thereafter, he joined as Art and Craft Teacher in the Department of Education, Punjab on 18.02.1972 on regular basis and retired from service on 31.05.2003, after attaining the age of superannuation.

After hearing learned counsel for the parties, I am of the view that when the petitioner joined the Government Department, he did not claim the benefits of his past service rendered by him in a private school. Even till his retirement in the year 2003, he remained silent. Thereafter, he remained silent for about 12 years and filed the present petition in the year 2015.

Now, after the lapse of so much time, the service record of the petitioner in the private school would not be available. Therefore, on the ground of delay and latches, the petitioner is not entitled to any relief.

As such, the present petition is dismissed in limine.

(KULDIP SINGH)
JUDGE

November 15, 2016
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Whether speaking / reasoned	Yes
Whether Reportable:	No