

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

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CWP No.14227 of 1999 (O&M)

Date of Decision: July 28, 2017

Harinder Singh and others

....Petitioners

vs.

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA

Present: Ms. Rupinder Kaur, Advocate for
Ms. G.K. Mann, Advcoate for the petitioners.

Mr. Avinit Avasthi, AAG, Punjab.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J. (Oral)

The instant writ petition was instituted in the year 1999 by the petitioners, who were 14 in number and stated to be working as Senior Assistants in the Office of the Director, Housing and Urban Development Authority, State of Punjab, at the relevant point of time.

Prayer in the instant petition was for issuance of directions to the respondent-authorities thereby restraining them from implementing the Punjab Urban Planning and Development Authority (Employees Service) Regulations 1999 promulgated on 10.08.1999 without first implementing mandatory provisions of the Punjab Urban Development Authority (Integration and Inter Se Seniority of Transferred Employees) Rules 1995.

The Writ petition was admitted vide order dated 06.10.1999, passed by a Division Bench.

Matter having been put up by the Registry on 19.04.2017.

Ms. G.K. Mann, Counsel had put in appearance and had sought time to file her Vakalatnama on behalf of the petitioners.

During the course of hearing, counsel appearing for the petitioners, states that efforts were made to contact the petitioners but she has not been able to procure the Power of Attorney.

As per tabulation at Annexure P-1, petitioners had joined/were promoted as Senior Assistants in the Directorate of Housing Development between the years 1976 to 1983. Even, State counsel submits that the petitioners already stand superannuated on different dates between the years 2005 to 2012. State counsel further apprises the Court that the petitioners No.5 & 6 have since expired. No application till date, has been filed to bring on record the legal heirs of such deceased employees/petitioners.

It appears that on account of efflux of time, the petitioners have lost interest in pursuing the petition.

Present petition as such, is disposed of as infructuous. Liberty, however is granted to the petitioners to seek revival of the petition by filing an appropriate application and upon demonstrating that the cause of action/grievance still survives.

Disposed of.

(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned : ***Yes/No***
Whether reportable : ***Yes/No***