

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

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**CWP No.15993 of 2017 (O&M)
Date of Decision: July 24, 2017**

Charanjit Singh

....Petitioner

vs.

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA

Present: Mr. Gaurav Sharma, Advocate
for the petitioner.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J. (Oral)

Pleadings on record would indicate that the petitioner is suffering from a permanent physical disability assessed to be 50%. Date of birth of the petitioner is 10.09.1957. The petitioner was appointed as Punjabi Teacher under the Punjab State Education Department on 19.07.1977 against the reserved handicapped quota.

The age of superannuation of the petitioner is 60 years. In other words, he would attain the age of superannuation on 30.09.2017.

Reliance has been placed upon document dated 22.05.2017 (Annexure P-8), issued by the Punjab Government Finance Department (Finance Personnel-2 Branch) on the subject regarding optional extension of two years (year on year basis)

service after superannuation to the employees of Punjab

Government, who have been appointed against the reserved vacancies under 3% physically handicapped quota. Precise grievance raised by the petitioner is that, in spite of having submitted a representation/option seeking extension beyond the age of superannuation i.e. 30.09.2017, no final decision thereupon has been taken till date. A plea of discrimination has been raised by the learned counsel during the stage of arguments by suggesting that the other employees similarly situated, have been granted the benefit of extension.

Without ascertaining the correctness of the averments made in the petition and without commenting on the merits of the claim, I deem it appropriate to dispose of the instant petition with a direction to respondent No.2-The Director of Public Instructions (Secondary Education) Punjab/Competent Authority, to examine the claim of the petitioner in the light of a representation dated 29.05.2017 (Annexure P-9) that is stated to have already been preferred and to take a final decision thereupon within a period of four weeks from today.

Writ petition disposed of.

(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

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