

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

**CWP No. 18686 of 2017
DECIDED ON: AUGUST 22, 2017**

SOHAN LAL & OTHERS

.....PETITIONERS

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB & ORS

.....RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASPAL SINGH

Present: Mr. C.L. Sharma, Advocate
 for the petitioners.

JASPAL SINGH, J (ORAL)

By virtue of instant petition preferred under Article 226 of the Constitution of India, petitioners have sought the issuance of writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to grant them revised pay scale by classifying skilled and semi-skilled staff of Building & Roads Branch of Public Works Department in the ratio of 20%, 30% and 50%, as per Punjab Government Notification dated May 19, 1998 (Annexure P-3) with further direction to pay the arrears alongwith interest @ 18% per annum.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that he feels satisfied in case a direction is issued to respondent No.2 to consider and decide the representation dated April 15, 2017 (Annexure P-7) submitted by the petitioners to respondent No.2 within a stipulated period.

Accordingly, instant petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to look into the grievances unfolded by the petitioners in their representation dated April 15, 2017 (Annexure P-7) and to decide the same by passing a speaking order, within a period of three months from the date of certified copy of this order particularly in view of various letters issued by his/her office. He is also directed to consider the grant of interest on the delayed payment. However, if the petitioners still feel aggrieved of any order passed by the authorities concerned, they shall be at liberty to approach this Court.

AUGUST 22, 2017
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(JASPAL SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned *Yes/No*

Whether reportable *Yes/No*