

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

Sr. No.118

CWP No.19148 of 2017
DECIDED ON: August 25, 2017

AMOLAK SINGH AND OTHERS

..PETITIONERS

VERSUS

STATE OF PUNJAB AND ANOTHER

...RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASPAL SINGH

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

JASPAL SINGH, J. (ORAL)

By virtue of the instant civil writ petition preferred under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India, petitioners have sought the issuance of a writ especially in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to extend the benefit of the judgment dated May 16, 2016 (P-8) passed by this Court in Civil Writ Petition No.16095 of 2012, captioned as ***Baldev Singh & ors. vs. State of Punjab etc.*** as well as speaking order dated July 12, 2017 (P-10) passed by the respondents in pursuance of the aforesaid judgment and with further direction not to withdraw the benefit of proficiency step up already granted to them in view of instructions issued by the State of Punjab from time to time.

2. The contention of learned counsel for the petitioners is that similarly situated persons have already been granted the benefits, which is being sought by the present petitioners. Though, a representation dated September 07, 2016 (P-9) was made by Amolak Singh one of the petitioners

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but till date no conscious decision has been taken so far despite the fact that a period of approximately one year is going to be elapsed.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that he feels satisfied in case a direction is issued to respondent No.2 to decide representation dated September 07, 2016 (Annexure P-9) in view of aforesaid judgment as well as speaking order passed by the authorities i.e. respondents in a time bound manner.

4. Instant petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2-Director of Public Instructions (Primary Education), Punjab School Education Board Complex, Phase-VIII, SAS Nagar, Mohali to look into the grievances unfolded by the petitioner in the representation dated September 07, 2016 (Annexure P-9) and take a conscious decision by passing a speaking order that too, after giving a patience hearing to one of the petitioner-Amolak Singh who will represent the other petitioners, within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order. However, during the aforesaid period of three months, respondents are directed not to withdraw the benefit of proficiency step up, if already granted to the petitioners.

August 25, 2017
Ankur

(JASPAL SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No