

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP No.20139 of 2017(O&M)
Date of Decision: 06.09.2017

Avtar Singh

--Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

--Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.

Present:- Mr. Vaibhav Narang, Advocate for the petitioner.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA.J

As per pleadings on record services of the petitioner were engaged by the Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India in the Census Department on a contractual basis on 4.9.1991. The contractual assignment was terminated on 31.12.1992.

The instant writ petition has been filed seeking benefit of memo dated 22.3.1993 placed on record at Annexure P-2 on the subject of re-employment of retrenched Census employees, who were appointed on fixed pay and on contractual basis. Such memo dated 22.3.1993 has been issued by the Department of Personnel and Administrative Reforms.

Having heard counsel for the petitioner at length and having perused the pleadings on record, this Court is of the considered view that no interference in the matter is warranted.

Perusal of the memo dated 23.3.1993 would make it clear that benefit, if any, envisaged thereunder was only upon an application of a retrenched Census employee being made till the end of the year 1993.

It is the pleaded case of the petitioner himself that the application had been made in the year 2016.

No justification whatsoever is forth coming for the inordinate delay in setting up a claim under the memo dated 22.3.1993 (Annexure P-2).

Even otherwise, in the memo itself a time frame for availing benefits thereunder had been stipulated and which time frame was also not adhered to by the petitioner.

Petition is dismissed.

(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether Reportable: Yes/No