

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

CWP No.22085 of 2017

Date of Decision: 27.09.2017

Avtar Singh and others

....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

BEFORE :- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE DAYA CHAUDHARY

Present:- Mr. Gopal Singh Nahel, Advocate
for the petitioners.

DAYA CHAUDHARY, J. (ORAL)

The main grievance of the petitioners is that their arrears of Dearness Allowances for the year 2007 to 2009 are pending despite recommendations made by the Block Development and Panchayat Officer to the Director Education, Punjab. They were earlier in the service of Zila Parishad Schools but due to policy of the Punjab Government, they have been absorbed in the Education Department with the transfer of schools from one to the other. The petitioners are in service and they have even served a legal notice dated 30.01.2017 (Annexure P-3) to the respondents, which has not been decided so far.

Mr. Nahel, learned counsel appearing for the petitioners would be satisfied if a direction is issued to the respondents in the first instance to consider and decide the legal notice. The request is justified and directions are issued to the respondents to decide the legal notice within two months

from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. In case, the claim is found to be justified, the monetary benefits of the same may be given to the petitioners within the next three months. However, in case, any adverse order is contemplated or is to be passed then there would be the necessity of hearing the petitioners and passing a speaking order dealing with all the contentions raised in the legal notice and any other ground that may be raised before the decision maker.

With the above observations and directions, the petition stands disposed of.

27.09.2017
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(DAYA CHAUDHARY)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No