

HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No.2287 of 2017 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 08.02.2017

Balbir Kaur & Ors.

... Petitioners

VS.

Union of India & Anr.

... Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE SURYA KANT
HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE SUDIP AHLUWALIA**

Present: Mr. Vivek K Thakur, Advocate for the petitioners

SURYA KANT, J. (Oral)

(1) Learned counsel for the petitioners points that despite rejection of their claim by the Central Administrative Tribunal, Chandigarh Bench, Chandigarh (in short, 'the Tribunal') vide order dated 15.07.2014, the Government of India, Ministry of Railways have issued the Circular dated 08.09.2015 (P9) vide which benefit of Retired Employees Liberalized Health Scheme, 1997 has been extended to all the retired Railway employees irrespective of the length of service rendered by them before retirement. He further submits that the petitioners may be permitted to represent to the competent authority for sympathetic re-consideration and to grant facility of free pass to the retirees of Railways irrespective of the length of their service.

(2) Having heard learned counsel for the petitioners and in the light of the submission made on their behalf, the writ petition is disposed of with liberty to the petitioners to submit a fresh claim before the competent authority for the latter's sympathetic re-consideration for grant of concession of Railway pass, uninfluenced of the order dated 15.07.2014 passed by the Tribunal.

(3) Ordered accordingly.

(4) It shall be appreciated if the competent authority takes a final decision within a period of four months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

(5) Ordered accordingly.

(Surya Kant)
Judge

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(Sudip Ahluwalia)
Judge

1. *Whether speaking/reasoned?*
2. *Whether reportable?*

Yes / No
Yes / No