

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

**CWP-5132-2014 (O&M)
Date of decision: 18.07.2017**

Balwinder Kaur & others

... Petitioners

Vs.

State of Punjab & others

... Respondents

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

Present: Mr. R.K. Arora, Advocate for petitioners.

Mr. Avinit Avasthi, AAG, Punjab.

Mr. Bhavesh Aggarwal, Advocate
for respondents No.4 to 6, 9 and 10.

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TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J.

Petitioners herein are serving as Centre Head Teachers under the Department of Education, State of Punjab.

The short grievance raised in the petition is that the petitioners have been denied consideration for promotion to the post of Block Primary Education Officers inspite of being senior to the private respondents in the light of seniority list placed on record at Annexure P-1.

Upon notice of motion having been issued, a response by way of counter affidavit of the District Education Officer (EE), Amritsar has been filed on behalf of respondents No.1 to 3.

In the preliminary submissions contained in the written statement, a stand has been taken that a final seniority list of Centre Head Teachers as on 30.09.2013 has been prepared on the basis of continuous length of service in the cadre of Head Teachers and in such seniority list,

private respondents No.4 to 10 had been reflected senior to all the petitioners.

Confronted with such a situation, counsel prays for withdrawal of the petition with liberty to raise a challenge to the seniority list as referred to, in para 2 of the primary submissions contained in the written statement on all grounds that may be available to the petitioners in accordance with law.

Writ petition is, accordingly, dismissed as withdrawn with liberty as prayed for.

18.07.2017

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**(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE**

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| (i) | Whether speaking/reasoned? | Yes/No |
| (ii) | Whether reportable? | Yes/No |