

Sr. No.113

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No.25992 of 2017 (O&M)

Date of Decision:15.11.2017

Tarsem Lal and another

... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

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

Present:- Mr. Sherry K. Singla, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA, J.(ORAL)

Pleadings on record indicate that the petitioners herein were initially appointed as Work Supervisors under the Municipal Corporation, Bathinda and their services were regularized w.e.f. 27.01.1995. Petitioners were promoted to the post of Junior Engineer (Civil) vide order dated 18.11.2006 and having joined the promotional post. They served as such for a period of almost 02 years. Thereafter on account of certain domestic problems/circumstances petitioners sought adjustment against the lower post of Work Supervisors. Such request was acceded to and the petitioners were reverted back as Work Supervisors on 04.03.2008 and were debarred to be considered for promotion to the post of Junior Engineer (Civil) for a period of 02 years as per Rule 18 of the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Condition of Service) Rules, 1994.

Grievance raised in the instant petition is that in spite of the period of two years having elapsed and the petitioners having raised a claim to be considered for promotion as Junior Engineer (Civil), such claim has

Counsel has contended that the Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Bathinda has even recommended to the State Government i.e. Director, Local Government Department, State of Punjab for promotion /re-appointment of the petitioners as Junior Engineer (Civil) but in spite thereof no action has been taken till date.

Counsel submits that he would be satisfied if at this stage directions were to be issued to the respondent authorities to take a final decision on the representation that has already been filed as regards the claim set forth.

This Court finds the prayer to be just and reasonable.

Accordingly, without going into the merits of the case and without even ascertaining the correctness of the averments made in the petition, I deem it appropriate to dispose of the instant writ petition with a direction to respondent No.2-Director, Local Government Department, State of Punjab to examine the claim of the petitioners strictly in accordance with law and to take a final decision on the representation dated 08.05.2017 (Annexure P-8) expeditiously and in any case within a period of 03 months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

Disposed of.

15.11.2017

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**(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes

Whether Reportable

No