

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

**CWP No.1889 of 2015 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 16.04.2018**

AMARJIT KAUR AND OTHERS

..... Petitioners

Versus

THE STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present: Mr. Sunny Singla, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Manoj Bajaj, Additional Advocate General, Punjab.

JASWANT SINGH, J. (ORAL)

The 11 petitioners were appointed as Masters/Mistresses in different streams in the Department of Secondary Education, Punjab, in compliance of the selections made in the year 1994 pursuant to the advertisement dated 19.08.1992. Their selections and appointments being in excess of the advertised vacancies in their respective categories were quashed by this Court, however, they were permitted to continue on *ad hoc* basis until the regularization of their services in the year 1996/1997.

The claim in the present petition is for grant of benefit of the *ad hoc* service period, prior to the regularization of their services towards grant of seniority and other service benefits including qualifying service for pension.

At the time of hearing, learned counsel for the State has agreed that the present petition has to be partly allowed in terms of the decision dated 27.10.2016, passed in LPA No.589 of 2015 titled as '*State of Punjab and others vs. Kewal Singh*,' involving the identical issue, whereby the benefit of the aforesaid *ad hoc* service period has been permitted only towards qualifying service for pension.

In view of the aforesaid agreed stand, the present petition is partly **allowed/disposed of** in the same terms as in *LPA No.589 of 2015*, decided on 27.10.2016.

April 16, 2018
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(JASWANT SINGH)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking/reasoned	Yes/No
Whether Reportable	Yes/No