

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

**Civil Writ Petition No. 13443 of 2018 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 25.05.2018**

Parul Goyal and others

..... Petitioners

Versus

Punjab Water Supply & Sewerage Board and another

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present: Mr. Dhiraj Chawla, Advocate
for the petitioners.

JASWANT SINGH, J. (ORAL)

The petitioners, nine (09) in number, have been promoted as Executive Engineers (X.EN.) vide order dated 29.01.2016 (**Annexure P-2**), passed by the Employer-Punjab Water Supply & Sewerage Board, Chandigarh. The promotion order was supplemented by the terms and conditions vide subsequent order dated 26.07.2016 (**Annexure P-3**), wherein at condition No. (i), it was provided that the promoted persons/petitioners, shall be placed at the initial pay scale of the post of Executive Engineer or pay which was drawn by them as Sub Divisional Engineer, whichever is higher.

The grievance of the petitioners is that the initial of the pay scale of the post of X.EN., which is higher and opted, has not been released till now in terms of the order dated 26.07.2016 (**P-3**).

At this stage, counsel for the petitioners states that his clients would be satisfied if their legal notice dated 20.03.2018 (**Annexure P-5**), addressed to the Chairman as well as the Chief Executive Officer,

Punjab Water Supply & Sewerage Board, Chandigarh, claiming the relief, be decided within a time frame, as directed by this Court.

In view of above, present petition is **disposed of** with the **directions** to the competent authority to pass a speaking order, in accordance with law, on the claim raised by the petitioners in their legal notice dated 20.03.2018 (P-5) within a period of six months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order. The consequential relief, if any, be released to them within next two months.

It is clarified that if the aforesaid time is not adhered to, the respondent-University shall be liable to be hauled up in contempt proceedings, apart from inviting imposition of interest to be recovered from the official(s) concerned.

May 25, 2018

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**(JASWANT SINGH)
JUDGE**

<i>Whether Speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>