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

CWP-17225-2018

Date of decision-17.07.2018

Mandeep Bhela and others

...Petitioners

Vs.

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JITENDRA CHAUHAN

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

JITENDRA CHAUHAN, J.

This writ petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India has been filed for the issuance of a writ, in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to step up the pay of the petitioners at par with their junior w.e.f. 04.01.2012 and grant all arrears of pay and consequential benefits along with interest @ 12% per annum.

Learned counsel for the petitioners states that case of the petitioners is covered by instructions dated 25.09.1998 and 21.06.2000 (Annexures P-2 and P-3, respectively). Further he states that at this stage he would be satisfied, if a direction is issued to respondent No.1-Secretary, Department of Education, Civil Secretariat-2, Sector-9, Chandigarh to consider and decide the legal notice dated 30.05.2018 (Annexure P-8) in view of Annexures P-2 and P-3.

Heard.

In view of the above, without adverting to the merits of the

case, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.1- Secretary, Department of Education, Civil Secretariat-2, Sector-9, Chandigarh to consider and decide the legal notice dated 30.05.2018 (Annexure P-8) in view of Annexures P-2 and P-3 within six weeks from the receipt of the certified copy of the order. In case, on consideration, the competent authority reaches to the conclusion that the benefit claimed by the petitioners is admissible to them, in such eventuality, the consequential relief be allowed to them, within a period of six weeks thereafter. However, in case the competent authority feels that the relief claimed by the petitioners is not admissible to them or made out, in that case, a speaking order be passed in the matter.

(JITENDRA CHAUHAN)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes	No
Whether Reportable :	Yes	No