

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

CWP No.18405 of 2018

Date of Decision:-24.09.2018

Gajraj Singh & Ors.

.....Petitioners.

Versus

State of Punjab & Ors.

.....Respondents.

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH

Present:- Mr. Ajit Singh Natt, Advocate for the Petitioners.

JASWANT SINGH, J.(ORAL)

Seven Petitioners were initially engaged as Punjab Home Guards Volunteer on various dates between the years 1988 to 1992 in District Patiala on daily wage basis. Their services were stated to have been terminated in the year 1992 without any formal orders.

The petitioners along with others filed CWP No.20297 of 2012 seeking a Mandamus for their reinstatement on the plea that a number of similarly situated volunteer Home Guards had since been reinstated. The writ petition was disposed of vide order dated 10.10.2012 directing the competent Authority to pass a speaking order upon their claim as set out in the representation.

The impugned speaking order dated 19.11.2012 was passed whereby their claims for reinstatement was rejected. It was pointed out that

from work for long periods of time. The plea of discrimination was rejected while non-suiting the petitioners on the ground of long delay as well.

Counsel for the petitioners heard at length.

Not only for the reasons stated in the speaking order dated 19.11.2012 (P-2), the writ jurisdiction cannot be invoked but also on account of a further delay of six years in challenging the aforesaid speaking order qua which concededly even a civil suit would be barred by law of limitation.

In view of the above, finding no merit in the present writ petition, the same is hereby dismissed.

(JASWANT SINGH)
JUDGE

September 24, 2018
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<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>