

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

**CWP No. 3599 of 2018
Date of Decision 16.2.2018**

Kirpal Singh and others

...Petitioners.

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN PALLI

Present: Mr. Tahaf Bains, Advocate
for the petitioners.

ARUN PALLI, J. (ORAL)

The petitioners are engaged as Accounts Clerks with the respondent department. A tentative joint seniority list of Junior Assistant/Accounts Clerks and Godown Attendants was issued by the department on 29.8.2017 (Annexure P-2). The petitioners purport to have filed objections to the tentative seniority list within the specified time. Their grievance is; that the combined tentative seniority list has been cast in violation of the Punjab State Warehousing Corporation Staff (Conditions of Service) Group 'C' and Group 'D' Service Regulations, 2002. The petitioners alleged to have even served the respondents with a legal notice dated 25.9.2017 (Annexure P-3) and a reminder dated 11.1.2018 (Annexure P-3/A). But to no avail. Their apprehension is that every possible step is being taken to finalise the tentative seniority list, though their objections continue to await consideration and have not been dealt with. Further, in the

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event, the re-designated Godown Attendants are granted promotion on the basis of the tentative seniority list, the petitioners would suffer an incalculable loss.

That being so, the petition is disposed of, at this stage, only with a direction to the respondents to consider and deal with the objections (Annexure P-6), filed by the petitioners to the tentative seniority list, as also their legal notice, dated 25.9.2017 (Annexure P-3) and reminder dated 11.1.2018 (Annexure P-3/A). And pass appropriate orders in accordance with law within eight weeks from the receipt of certified copy of this order. This Court is sanguine that till the objections filed by the petitioners are dealt with or decided, the respondents shall not finalise the tentative seniority list.

16.2.2018
AK Sharma

(ARUN PALLI)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking/Reasoned:
Whether Reportable:

YES / NO
YES / NO