

**CWP No.9305 of 2018
DECIDED ON: APRIL 19, 2018**

AVTAR SINGH AND ORS

.....PETITIONERS

VERSUS

BHAKRA BEAS MANAGEMENT BOARD AND ORS

.....RESPONDENTS

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASPAL SINGH

Present: Mr. H.S. Saini, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

JASPAL SINGH, J (ORAL)

By virtue of instant petition preferred under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India, petitioners have sought issuance of a writ especially in the nature of mandamus, directing the respondents to count their previous work charge service as mentioned in para 2 of the petition rendered by them with respondent No. 5 as qualifying service for the purpose of pensionary benefits.

2. At the very outset, learned counsel for the petitioners submits that though legal notice dated 05.12.2017 (Annexure P-7) was duly served upon the respondents but till date neither any reply has been received nor any conscious decision has been taken. He further submits that petitioners feel satisfied in case direction is issued to respondent(s) to decide aforesaid legal notice, within a stipulated period.

3. Without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, the instant petition is disposed of with the direction to respondents to look into the grievances unfolded by the petitioners in legal notice dated 05.12.2017 (Annexure P-7) and to decide the same as per Rules, Regulations and instructions issued by government from time to time as well as in view of judgments rendered by Hon'ble Apex Court in the case of **Punjab State Electricity Board & another vs. Narata Singh and another; 2010 (3) SLR 202 (P-14)** and **Habib Khan vs. State of Uttarkhand and others; 2018 (1) SCT 283 (P-15)** and in the light of judgments already referred in the aforesaid legal notice, within a period of 3 months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

4. However, if the petitioners still feel aggrieved against any of the order(s) passed by the concerned authority, they shall be at liberty to have recourse to the other remedies available to them under law as well as to approach this Court.

April 19, 2018

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**(JASPAL SINGH)
JUDGE**

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>