

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

RSA-1853-2017

Date of Decision:-16.02.2018.

Satish Kumar Auxiliary Plant Attendant

.....Appellant

Versus

Punjab State Power Corporation Limited, Patiala and others

.....Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE P.B. BAJANTHRI**

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Present: Mr. Ajay Pal Singh, Advocate for the appellant.

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**P.B. BAJANTHRI, J. (Oral)**

Grievance of the appellant in the present appeal is that he is entitled to retrospective promotion to the post of Auxiliary Plant Attendant w.e.f. 25.07.1997. He was promoted to the said post on 21.08.2002, whereas, suit was filed in the year 2009. The reason for filing suit in the year 2009 seeking for retrospective promotion w.e.f. 25.7.1997 is that identical persons have filed a suit in the year 2006 and they have been extended the benefit of retrospective promotion to the post of Auxiliary Plant Attendant w.e.f. 25.07.1997, therefore, appellant is similarly situated person. For the purpose of seeking promotion and seniority, one must approach within a reasonable period as held by the Supreme Court in the case of **P.S. Sadasivaswamy vs The State Of Tamil Nadu 1975 SCC (1) 152**. In view of delay and laches on the part of the appellant in seeking

retrospective promotion to the post of Auxiliary Plant Attendant, appellant

has not made out a case.

Accordingly, appeal stands dismissed.

**(P.B. BAJANTHRI)**  
**JUDGE**

**February 16, 2018.**  
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Whether speaking/reasoned:-

Yes / No

Whether Reportable:-

Yes / No.