

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

COCP 977 of 2018

Date of Decision : February 21, 2019

Sonu Kumar and others

.....Petitioners

VERSUS

Raj Narain Kaushik

.....Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE NIRMALJIT KAUR

Present : Mr. J.L.Goyal, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Ashish Yadav, Addl. Advocate General, Haryana.

NIRMALJIT KAUR, J. (Oral)

The present contempt petition is filed for non-compliance of the order dated 5.10.2016 vide which the respondents were directed to decide the representation as regards to their claim for grant of step-up/ higher pay.

Reply has been filed. As per the said reply, the order has been complied with by way of passing of speaking order dated 25.3.2017 which is placed on record as Annexure R-1. As per the said order, the petitioners have been found entitled to their claim as per the judgment rendered in the case of *Neelam Rani Vs. State of Haryana and others* and, therefore, their claim is found maintainable to the extent of fixing their pay and they were brought at par with their junior JBT Teachers. It is further stated in the said reply that the Department has refixed the pay

of the petitioners and brought them at par with their junior JBT Teachers. It is further admitted that the arrears has since been granted. However, the only grievance of the petitioners is with respect to the interest. As per the reply, the interest has been calculated and the same too shall be disbursed to the petitioners.

In view of the above, the contempt petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents to pay the interest as calculated by them as per the reply filed before this Court within four weeks from today.

Rule issued against the respondent is discharged.

However, in case the said interest is not paid as per their entitlement, the petitioners are at liberty to revive the present contempt petition.

February 21, 2019
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(NIRMALJIT KAUR)
JUDGE

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