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

**CWP No.11241-2019
DATE OF DECISION : 12.09.2019**

Rakesh Chowdhary**...Petitioner****Versus****Union of India and others****...Respondents****CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA**

Present:- None.

***********ARUN MONGA, J.(ORAL)**

Petitioner herein seeks issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to consider the representation dated 21.11.2018 (Annexure P-8) for grant of employment on compassionate ground as per the policy/instructions of the government/respondent department.

2. Prima facie, I am of the view that writ petition has been filed after an inordinate delay of 17 years and the same is hit by delay and latches.

3. It is clearly mentioned in the order dated 01.09.2018 (Annexure P-7) passed by the respondents-department hat the petitioner has applied for a job on compassionate ground after inordinate delay of 17 years rather, he should have applied for a job immediately after attaining the age of 18 years on 16.02.1999. In this regard, the respondents-department have also relied upon the judgment of Hon'ble Surpeme Court in case titled as 'Umesh Nagpal Vs. State of Haryana' decided on 04.05.1994 in which it has been

held that the compassionate appointment cannot be granted after lapse of a reasonable period and it is not a vested right which can be exercised at any time in future.

4. In view of the aforesaid, no ground is made out to interfere under extraordinary writ jurisdiction vested by virtue of Article 226 of Constitution of India.

5. The petition is accordingly, dismissed with liberty to the petitioner to seek any other appropriate alternative remedy, if so advised.

12.09.2019

Harish Kumar

(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether Reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No