

Sr. No.122

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

**CWP No.21652 of 2019 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 19.08.2019**

Navkiran Singh Sodhi

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present:- Mr. Vishal Mehta, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Ms. Anu Chatrath, Senior Advocate with
Ms. Ambika Bedi, AAG, Punjab.

ARUN MONGA, J.(ORAL)

Grievance of the petitioner, *inter alia*, is that despite his case being squarely covered by a judgment rendered in CWP No.17884 of 2016, he has not been accorded the benefit of ratio therein.

2. Petitioner is stated to be working as a 'Law Officer' under the Department of Local Bodies and contends that he is entitled to Grade Pay of Rs.4,800/- as per the judgment, *ibid*. He had also caused a Legal Notice dated 11.01.2018 (Annexure P-9) but the same was not adverted by the respondents and hence, the writ petition.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that judgment relied upon by the petitioner has since attained finality as the same has been implemented qua the similarly situated

petitioner therein as no intra-court appeal was filed against the same.

4. Notice of motion.

5. On advance service of the petition, Ms. Anu Chatrath, Senior Advocate assisted by Ms. Ambika Bedi, AAG, Punjab appears and accepts notice on behalf of the State.

6. Given the nature of order being passed, there is no necessity to seek return by the respondents as no further proceedings and/or pleadings are required.

7. Without commenting on the merits of the case, the writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents to objectively consider the Legal Notice dated 11.01.2018 (Annexure P-9) and also by keeping in view the contentions stated in the present writ petition by treating it as a supplementary representation and pass a speaking order, in accordance with law.

8. Let the needful be done within a period of 3 months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

9. Disposed of in above terms.

19.08.2019

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**(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether Reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No