

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No. 27717 of 2019
Date of decision : 26.09.2019

Girdhari Lal

....Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present:- Mr. Ashish Singh, Advocate for
Mr. D.K. Bhatti, Advocate for the petitioner.

Harsimran Singh Sethi, J. (Oral)

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that the post of Helper/Beldar was re-designated to that of Assistant Lineman keeping in view the letter of the Department of Local Government dated 15.07.1999 and in fact the petitioner gave his joining as Assistant Lineman on 02.09.2002. Learned counsel for the petitioner supports the said arguments on the basis of the extract of service book, which has been attached by the petitioner as Annexure P-3 with the writ petition.

Learned counsel for the petitioner argues that once the petitioner was working as Assistant Lineman, he was entitled for the benefit of pay of the post of Assistant Lineman, whereas the petitioner was only given the salary of the post of Helper/Beldar. The prayer of the petitioner is

to grant him the salary of the post of Assistant Lineman and also for

computing his pensionary benefits by taking into consideration the pay of the post of Assistant Lineman alongwith consequential benefits.

Learned counsel for the petitioner states that for the relief, which has been claimed in the present writ petition, petitioner has submitted a representation dated 06.03.2019 (Annexure P-4) to the respondents, which is still pending consideration with the respondents and the petitioner will be satisfied, at this stage, in case a time bound direction is issued to the respondents to decide the said representation.

In view of the request made, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case and the claim being made by the petitioner, the respondents are directed to decide the representation dated 06.03.2019 (Annexure P-4) by passing a speaking order within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order. In case after the decision, it is found that the petitioner is entitled for any monetary benefit, the same shall also be released to him within a period of next three months.

Writ petition stands disposed of accordingly.

September 26, 2019
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking? *Yes*
Whether reportable? *No*