

Civil Writ Petition No. 27278 of 2019(O&M)
Date of Decision : 23.09.2019

Gurpreet Kaur & Ors.

... Petitioners

versus

State of Punjab & Ors.

... Respondents

CORAM:-HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present: Mr. Anoop Singla, Advocate
for the petitioners.
***ARUN MONGA, J(ORAL)

1. Grievance of the petitioners herein, *inter alia*, is that the respondents be directed to release the benefits/ salary for the period the petitioners were on maternity leave along with interest. They are seeking directions to the official respondents to issue instructions to all the Colleges to allow all temporary/ contractual guest faculty Lecturers to avail the maternity leave. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the case of the petitioners is squarely covered by the decisions rendered by this Court in CWP No. 7452 of 2004, decided on 22.03.2005(**Smt. Renuka Bajaj Vs. The State of Punjab & Ors.**) and CWP No. 16711 of 2007 decided on 29.04.2009(**Sudha Rani & Ors. Vs. State of Punjab & Ors.**). In the premise, the petitioners also caused issuance of legal notice dated 25.06.2019(Annexure P-6), but the same has not been adverted by the respondents.

2. Notice of motion.

3. On advance service of copy of the petition, Ms. Anu Chatrath, Senior Advocate assisted by Ms. Ambika Bedi, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab, appears on behalf of respondents.

4. Given the nature of order being passed, no further proceedings or pleadings are required.

5. Without commenting on the merits of the case, writ petition is disposed of with a direction to respondents to pass a speaking order by objectively considering the contentions as raised in the legal notice dated 25.06.2019(Annexure P-6) along with the contents of the instant writ petition by treating the same as supplementary representation as also keeping in view the judgment *ibid*, in accordance with law.

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

7. Disposed of in above terms.

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**(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE**

1. Whether speaking/ reasoned: Yes/ No

2. Whether reportable: Yes/ No