

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

**CWP NO. 34425 OF 2019
DATE OF DECISION : 10.12.2019**

Sarbjeet Singh

...Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present:- Mr. R. S. Rawat, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. P. S. Bajwa, Addl. AG, Punjab.

ARUN MONGA, J.(ORAL)

By way of present petition, the petitioner has sought issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to consider his name for the post of Home Guard on compassionate ground since his father died in harness on 11.02.2005. The petitioner submitted representation dated 06.10.2015 (Annexure P-1) followed by legal notice dated 11.09.2018 (Annexure P-2), but the same have not been adverted till date by the respondents. Hence, the writ petition.

2. Petition seems to be hopelessly barred by limitation inasmuch as it suffers from the vice of delay of more than 14 years. Petitioner's father died in harness on 11.02.2005 and after a gap of ten years, he suddenly woke up and filed representation dated 06.10.2015 followed by legal notice dated 11.09.2018.

Perusal of the contents of writ petition also do not inspire any confidence.

3. The very purpose of the policy of compassionate appointment is to save the dependent from penury and ameliorate immediate financial hardship. Even the instructions dated 23.12.2016 (Annexure P-4) relied upon by petitioner clearly envisage the cut off date of death in harness as 01.01.2007 whereas, father of the petitioner died in harness on 11.02.2005.

4. Writ petition is, accordingly, dismissed on merits, as well as on the ground of delay and laches.

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JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned
Whether Reportable

Yes/No
Yes/No