

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

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CWP No.36667 of 2019

Date of Decision : 18.12.2019

Sumit Kumar

....Petitioner

v/s

State of Haryana and others

....Respondents

Coram : Hon'ble Mr. Justice B.S. Walia

Present: Mr. Sumit Sangwan, Advocate for the petitioner.

B.S. Walia, J. (Oral)

[1] Prayer in the writ petition is for the issuance of a writ of mandamus for directing the respondents to grant minimum pay to the petitioner keeping in view Government instructions/letters/guidelines (Annexures P-2 to P-4) and by following the principle of equal pay for equal work besides various authoritative pronouncements in respect thereto.

[2] Learned counsel contends that in response to the representation submitted by the petitioner, Communication (Annexure P-5) dated 16.10.2019 was received from the Director State Transport, Haryana, Chandigarh, informing that matter regarding plea for equal pay for equal work was pending before the Government and whatever decision would be taken would be informed accordingly.

[3] Learned counsel states that the petitioner would be satisfied, if the writ petition is disposed of by directing respondent No.1 to consider and decide the claim, as is the subject matter of the writ petition i.e. with regard to grant of equal pay for equal work, in accordance with law, in a time bound manner.

[4] Notice of motion.

[5] Mr. Harish Rathee, learned Senior Deputy Advocate General, Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents/*State* and states that he has no objection to the limited prayer of the petitioner.

[6] Without commenting upon the merits of the claim or the entitlement of the petitioner to the relief claimed, the writ petition is ***disposed of*** by directing respondent No.1 to consider and decide the claim for equal pay for equal work, as is the subject matter of the writ petition and in respect of which representation dated 04.09.2019 is already pending before respondent No.1, in accordance with law, after taking into account all aspects of the matter within a period of 04 months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

(B.S. Walia)
Judge

December 18, 2019
'Rajneesh'

Whether speaking/reasoned	: Yes/No
Whether reportable	: Yes/No