

HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No.856 of 2020

Date of Decision: 12.03.2020

Kashmir Chand & Ors.

... Petitioners

VS.

State of Punjab & Ors.

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE GIRISH AGNIHOTRI

Present: Mr. PS Mirpur, Advocate for the petitioners

GIRISH AGNIHOTRI, J. (Oral)

(1) The petitioners – Kashmir Chand and 5 others have filed the present writ petition *inter alia* with a prayer to direct the respondents to consider the claim of the petitioners for recalling/reinstating them in service as ordered *qua* the similarly-situated persons. It is submitted by learned counsel that similarly-situated employees were discharged along with the petitioners on the same/similar ground i.e. absence from duty and have been recalled/reinstated in service in the year 2013.

(2) Learned counsel for the petitioners further relies upon the judgment dated 23.02.2017 rendered in **CWP No.23475 of 2015 (Jarnail Singh vs. State of Punjab & Ors.)** as also the order dated 04.07.2019 passed in **CWP No.17726 of 2019 (Ashwani Kumar & Ors. vs. State of Punjab & Ors.)** (P11 & P15, respectively).

(3) Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that for the aforementioned grievance/demand, the petitioners have got served a legal notice dated 22.10.2018 (P12) which has not been decided by the authorities till date.

(4) Without commenting upon the merits of the case, the writ petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to consider the legal notice (P12) and pass a speaking order within a period of 4 months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

(5) So ordered.

12.03.2020

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(Girish Agnihotri)

Judge