

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

CWP-771 of 2020

Date of decision: 14.01.2020

Dr. Sukhwinder Singh and others

.... Petitioners

versus

Punjabi University, Patiala and another

... Respondents

CORAM:HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present: Mr. Hardeep Singh, Advocate
for the petitioners.

HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI, J.

Learned counsel for the petitioners argues that the petitioners have approached this Court claiming the benefit of arrears of the Leave Travel Concession in view of the order passed by this Court in CWP No.2479 of 2016, decided on 26.02.2019 against which Letter Patents Appeal filed by the respondent-Punjabi University, has been withdrawn, wherein employees of respondent-University were held entitled for the benefit of leave travel concession. Learned counsel for the petitioners further argues that the benefit of the judgment in CWP-2479 of 2016 has not been extended to the petitioners on the ground that they were not party to the said petition.

Learned counsel for the petitioners states that for the relief which has been claimed in the present writ petition, the petitioners have served the respondents with a legal notice dated 29.11.2019 (Annexure P/4) and the

petitioners will be satisfied, at this stage, in case a time bound direction is issued to the respondents to decide the same by passing an appropriate speaking order.

Notice of motion.

Keeping in view the advance copy given to the respondent, Mr. Ajaivir Singh, Advocate accept notice on behalf of the respondent-University and he states that the respondents have no objection in case the prayer of the petitioners for deciding the legal notice dated 29.11.2019 (Annexure P-4) in a time bound manner is accepted. He further states that in case it is found that petitioners are similarly situated as the petitioners in CWP No.2479 of 2016, the benefits for which the petitioners will be found entitled, will be released to them within time framed.

Keeping in view the above, without commenting upon the merits of the case or the claim being made by the petitioners, the respondent-University is directed to decide the claim of the petitioners as raised in legal notice dated 29.11.2019 (Annexure P/4) by passing an appropriate speaking order within a period of three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order and in case it is found that the petitioners are entitled for the relief as claimed in the legal notice dated 29.11.2019 (Annexure P/4), the same shall be released to them within a further period of three months of the passing of the said order.

(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

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| 1. Whether speaking/non-speaking? | Yes/No |
| 2. Whether reportable? | Yes/No |