

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

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(PROCEEDINGS THROUGH V.C.)

CIVIL WRIT PETITION NO.9923 OF 2020

DATE OF DECISION: JULY 16, 2020

Major Singh and others

.....Petitioners

VERSUS

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH

Present: Mr. Nitesh Singla, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH, J. (ORAL)

Petitioners have approached this Court with a grievance that persons, who are junior to them, are drawing higher pay than them despite they being senior. In similar matters relating to the claim made for stepping up of the pay equal to that of their juniors, the Director, Public Instructions (Secondary Education), Punjab, had passed a speaking order dated 21.11.2019 (Annexure P-8). Petitioners submit that they would be satisfied in case a direction is issued to the Director, Public Instructions (Secondary Education), Punjab-respondent No.2, to consider and decide the legal notice, which has been served by the petitioners through counsel on 12.05.2020 (Annexure P-7) within some specified time.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court, Mr.Nikhil Chopra, Additional

Advocate General, Punjab, accepts notice, on behalf of the respondent-State.

Without going into the merits of the case or commenting thereon, the present writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the Director, Public Instructions (Secondary Education), Punjab, respondent No.2, to consider and decide the legal notice dated 12.05.2020 (Annexure P-7) served by the petitioners within a period of four months from the date of receipt of certified copy of the order by passing a speaking order. Decision so taken be conveyed to the petitioner forthwith.

July 16, 2020
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(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable:	Yes/No