

In the High Court of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh

(Proceedings conducted through Video Conference)

C.W.P.No. 10447 of 2020

Date of Decision: 23.7.2020

Jaspal Ram and others

---Petitioners

versus

**State of Punjab through its Principal Secretary, Water Resources
Department, Punjab and others**

---Respondents

Coram: Hon'ble Mrs. Justice Rekha Mittal

**Present: Mr. Rakesh Sobti, Advocate
for the petitioners**

Rekha Mittal, J.

The precise grievance of the petitioners is that though the Chief Engineer concerned has passed order dated 31.10.2019 (Annexure P-4) with regard to fixation of pay but the matter with regard to payment of arrears has been kept pending by stipulating in Note -2 that 'matter to grant arrears is under consideration at the level of EE-2 Branch (Head Office) and the Government, action will be taken only on receipt of decision of the Government', but till date no decision with regard to payment of arrears has been taken despite expiry of more than eight months since order dated 31.10.2019 was passed. He would inform that legal notice dated 9.6.2020 (Annexure P-5) has been served upon respondents No. 1 and 2 but till date no decision has been taken in the matter. He would pray that directions may be issued to respondents No. 1 and 2 to take a decision with regard to payment of arrears of the period wherefrom the petitioners have been

promoted notionally.

Without examining merits of the case, the present petition stands disposed of with a direction to respondents No. 1 and 2 to consider and take a decision in respect of averments raised in the legal notice (Annexure P-5) and in the light of judgment of this court passed in CWP No. 15731 of 1991 decided on 3.7.2014 on the basis whereof the petitioners have been notionally promoted, within a period of two months, in accordance with law.

(Rekha Mittal)
Judge

23.7.2020

PARAMJIT

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes

Whether reportable : Yes/No