

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

COC-2179-2020

Date of Decision: 16.10.2020

Kamal Kishore Verma and others

...Petitioners

vs.

Sh. Devendra Singh, IAS and another

...Respondents

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

Present: Mr. Namit Kumar, Advocate for the petitioners.

B.S. Walia, J. (VC)

1. Case is being taken up for hearing through Video Conferencing due to the outbreak of Covid-19 pandemic.
2. Prayer in the petition under Sections 10 and 12 of the Contempt of Courts Act, 1971, read with Article 215 of the Constitution of India, is for taking action against the respondents for intentionally and willfully disobeying order of this Court Annexure P/1 dated 11.03.2019, in CWP No.15887 of 2011.
3. Learned counsel contends that vide order Annexure P/1 dated 11.03.2019, CWP No.15887 of 2011, was disposed of by holding the petitioners and other similarly situated officials who fell within top 20% of the respective cadres, to be entitled to the running pay scale of Rs.13500-17250 w.e.f. 01.01.1996 along with interest @ 8% per annum till payment, to be made within five months from the date of order, but despite lapse of aforesaid period of time, needful has not been done.
4. Notice to the respondents to show cause as to why proceedings

compliance with the orders of this Court Annexure P/1, dated 11.03.2019.

5. Ms. Kirti Singh, DAG, Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents and on instructions from respondent No.2 states that on account of large number of petitioners, compliance was taking time and in case eight weeks more time was granted, petitioners would be released payment as per their entitlement.

6. The same satisfies learned counsel for the petitioners who states that in view of the assurance he does not press the contempt petition at this stage.

7. Accordingly, in view of the statement of learned counsel for the parties, the Contempt Petition is disposed of as not calling for any orders except directing respondent No.2 to release payment to the petitioners as per their entitlement in terms of decision dated 11.03.2019, in CWP No.15887 of 2011, within two months from today. Needless to mention, in case the needful is not done within the stipulated period of time, the petitioners would be at liberty to move an application for revival of the Contempt Petition.

(B.S. Walia)
Judge

16.10.2020

'Amit-Rajesh'

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