

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

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**CWP No.16607 of 2020
Date of decision:09.10.2020**

Amrik Singh and others

... Petitioners

Vs.

State of Punjab and others

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SUVIR SEHGAL

Present:- Ms.Kamalpreet Kaur Dhaliwal, Advocate for the petitioners.

SUVIR SEHGAL J. (ORAL)

The Court has been convened through video conferencing due to Covid-19 pandemic.

The present writ petition has been filed under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to count the service rendered by the petitioners on the post of Special Police Officers' (SPOs) as qualifying service for the purpose of seniority for the post of Constable.

Counsel submits that the petitioners were appointed as SPOs' on 01.11.1993 and were regularized as Constables on different dates in the year 1998 as is depicted from the chart, Annexure P-1. The assertion of the counsel is that after the completion of service of 'six months' as SPOs', the petitioners are entitled to be regularized as Constables.

Counsel submits that the petitioners will be satisfied, if a direction is issued to the competent authority to decide the legal notice, Annexure P-12 by passing an appropriate speaking order within a specified time frame.

Prayer made by the petitioners is just and reasonable.

Without examining the averments made in the writ petition and the claim raised in the legal notice, this petition is disposed of with a direction to the competent authority/respondent No.2 to decide the legal notice, Annexure P-12 within a period of four months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

09.10.2020

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(SUVIR SEHGAL)
JUDGE

Whether Speaking/Reasoned : Yes/No

Whether Reportable : Yes/No