

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

Sr. No.117

**CWP-17284-2020
Date of Decision: 16.10.2020**

SATWINDER SINGH AND OTHERS

...Petitioners

VERSUS

PUNJABI UNIVERSITY PATIALA THROUGH ITS REGISTRAR

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ARCHANA PURI

Present: Mr. Mukesh Arora, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

ARCHANA PURI, J.

The matter has been taken up through video conferencing in the light of COVID-19 pandemic.

The present petition has been filed for issuance of mandamus thereby directing the respondent to release the arrears of pay for the period from the date of their joining on the promotional post of Superintendent.

It is the grievance of the petitioners that they have been promoted to the post of Superintendent, vide order dated 08.03.2018 and they had joined on various dates, as mentioned in last column of the table formulated in paragraph No.2 of the petition. Despite their promotion, the petitioners have not been released the arrears of their pay consequent to their promotion. It has also been submitted by learned counsel for the petitioners that the petitioners had served legal notice dated 03.01.2020, which is placed on record as Annexure P-5, but no consequential action has been taken despite issuance of said notice.

Notice of motion.

Ms.Sazia K. Singh, Advocate, for Mr. Ajaivir Singh, Advocate, accepts notice on behalf of respondent and assures about initiation of appropriate action *vis-a-vis* release of the arrears of pay to the petitioners, on the basis of the legal notice dated 03.01.2020 (Annexure P-5).

In view of the submission and assurance, so given by learned counsel for the respondent, present petition is hereby disposed of with the direction to respondent to consider the legal notice dated 03.01.2020 (Annexure P-5), as representation of the petitioners and to pass a speaking order, thereby redressing the grievance of the petitioners *vis-a-vis* the payment of arrears of pay, consequential to their promotions to the post of Superintendent, so availed by them. The respondent is expected to pass an appropriate speaking order within a period of 8 weeks from today onwards.

Accordingly, the writ petition stands disposed of.

(ARCHANA PURI)
JUDGE

16.10.2020

Himanshu

Whether speaking/reasoned

Yes

Whether reportable

No