

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

CWP No. 18183 of 2020
Date of decision 02.11.2020

Roshan Lal Virdi and ors.

...Petitioners

Vs.

Panjabi University, Patiala and ors.

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE RITU BAHRI

Present: Mr. Anirudh Gupta, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

Ritu Bahri, J. (Oral)

This petition under Section 226 of the Constitution of India is for issuance of direction to respondents for grant of additional increment on promotion/placement from Stage I to Stage II, Stage II to Stage III, Stage III to Stage IV to the petitioners, as per UGC Regulations, 2010.

Petitioners No. 1 to 4 are working as Associate Professor, Petitioner No. 5 is working as Professor whereas petitioner Nos. 6 to 31 are working as Assistant Professor with respondent No. 1.

Learned counsel submits that similar benefits have been given to similarly situated employees of other State-run Universities i.e Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar and Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana relying upon the said very clause of UGC circular. Reference has been made to CWP No. 30719-2019, decided on 23.10.2019 (P-8) titled as ***Dr. Khushdeep Goyal vs. Punjabi University, Patiala and others*** wherein

the writ petition was disposed of by giving direction to the respondents to

examine and pass a speaking order within a period of three months. Following this order, respondent No. 3 in the above petition passed detailed speaking order dated 12.06.2020 (P-9) granting additional increment.

Issue notice of motion.

On asking of the Court, Mr. Ajaivir Singh, Advodate accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-Univesity.

Without commenting on the merits of the case, this petition is being disposed of by giving direction to the respondent No. 3 to decide the representations (P-7 colly) by passing a speaking order, expeditiously, preferably within a period of four month from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

02.11.2020

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JUDGE

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