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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

CWP No.18704 of 2020
Date of decision: 12.11.2020

Parminder Singh and others

..... Petitioners

V/s.

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: - HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR

Present: Mr. Vikas Chatrath, Advocate, for the petitioners.

Ms. Anju Arora, Additional Advocate General, Punjab.

Sanjay Kumar, J.(Oral)

The petitioners are retired Teachers. By way of this writ petition, they seek grant of proficiency step-up along with consequential benefits, including pension, after taking into account the service rendered by them in Classic and Vernacular Pay Scales. They place reliance on the decision dated 16.05.2016 of this Court in *CWP No.16095 of 2012*, titled '**Baldev Singh and others V/s. State of Punjab and others**'.

It appears that the petitioners got issued legal notice dated 06.09.2020 (**Annexure P-18**) to the Director, Public Instructions (Primary Education), Punjab, the third respondent herein, in this regard but it is their complaint that no action has been taken thereupon.

Given the aforesaid facts, it is for the authorities concerned to take an appropriate decision as to the entitlement of the petitioners to the reliefs claimed. No cause is therefore made out to entertain this writ petition for adjudication on merits.

Ms. Anju Arora, learned Additional Advocate General, Punjab, would fairly state that the authorities will take a reasoned decision in the matter given sufficient time.

The writ petition is accordingly disposed of directing the respondent authorities to consider the petitioners' legal notice dated 06.09.2020 (**Annexure P-18**) on its own merits and in accordance with the law laid down by this Court in *CWP No.16095 of 2012*, titled '**Baldev Singh and others V/s. State of Punjab and others**', if applicable, and take appropriate action thereon, as warranted. In the event the petitioners are held disentitled to the reliefs claimed by them, a reasoned decision shall be communicated to them. This entire exercise shall be completed expeditiously and in any event, not later than six weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

There shall be no order as to costs.

(SANJAY KUMAR)
JUDGE

12.11.2020

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