

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

CWP-20052-2020.
Date of Decision:-25.11.2020.

S/Ct. Kulwant Singh and others

..... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR

Present: Mr. Baljeet Singh Sidhu, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Navdeep Chhabra, DAG, Punjab.

SANJAY KUMAR, J. (Oral)

The petitioners, 99 in number, seek counting of the service rendered by them as SPOs as qualifying service for the purpose of pensionary/retiral benefits. It is their case that this issue stands settled by the decisions of this Court and more particularly, ***CWP-2371-2010*** titled ***'Harbans Lal Vs. State of Punjab and others'***, decided on 31.08.2010. It appears that the legal notice dated 08.06.2020 (Annexure P-10) gotten issued by the petitioners in this regard is still pending consideration.

It is for the authorities concerned to address the claim of the petitioners in the first instance and take a decision. Without such exercise

being undertaken by the authorities, it would be premature for this Court to adjudicate upon the petitioners' claim.

The writ petition is accordingly disposed of directing the respondent-authorities to consider the claim of the petitioners, as ventilated in the aforestated legal notice dated 08.06.2020 (Annexure P-10), in the light of the law laid down by this Court in **CWP-2371-2010**, titled **'Harbans Lal Vs. State of Punjab and others'**, decided on 31.08.2010.

This 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.

No order as to costs.

(SANJAY KUMAR)
JUDGE

November 25, 2020.

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Whether speaking/reasoned:-

Yes

Whether Reportable:-

Yes / No.