

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

(113)

CWP No. 21385-2020

Date of Decision : 11.12.2020

Kulbir Singh and others

....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

(through video conferencing)

CORAM : HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI

Present:- Mr. H.C. Arora, Advocate for the petitioners.

Harsimran Singh Sethi, J. (Oral)

The grievance, which is being raised in the present writ petition, is that the pay of the petitioners, who are working as Librarians/Assistant Librarians in the Government High Schools/Senior Secondary Schools, has not been revised w.e.f. 01.10.2011 without there being any valid justification for the same, though, they are entitled for the same. Further prayer of the petitioners is that the parity between them with that of JBT/ETT Teachers be also maintained w.e.f. 01.10.2011 alongwith the consequential benefits. The other prayer of the petitioners is that they should be given a grade pay of Rs. 3000/- instead of Rs. 2400/-.

Learned counsel for the petitioners states that for the relief,

which has been claimed in the present writ petition, the petitioners have

served upon the respondents a legal notice dated 05.08.2020 (Annexure P-10), which is still pending consideration with the respondents and the petitioners will be satisfied, at this stage, in case a time bound direction is issued to respondent No. 2 to decide the same by passing an appropriate speaking order.

Notice of motion.

Ms. Ambika Bedi, learned Assistant Advocate General, Punjab, who has also joined the proceedings through video conference, keeping in view the service of advance copy of petition, accepts notice on behalf of respondent-State. Learned State counsel raised no objection for deciding the legal notice dated 05.08.2020 (Annexure P-10) in a time bound manner by passing an appropriate speaking order.

In view of the request made, without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case or the claim being made by the petitioners, respondent No. 2 is directed to decide the legal notice dated 05.08.2020 (Annexure P-10) by passing a speaking order within a period of three months.

Present writ petition stands disposed of.

December 11, 2020
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(HARSIMRAN SINGH SETHI)
JUDGE

Whether reasoned/speaking? *Yes/No*
Whether reportable? *Yes/No*