

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

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Civil Writ Petition No.110 of 2020

Date of Decision: January 6th, 2020

Smt. Harpreet Kaur and others

...Petitioners

Versus

The State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH

Present: Mr. Bankey Bihari, Advocate
for the petitioners.

AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH, J. (ORAL)

Petitioners have approached this Court praying for issuance of a writ of mandamus directing the Additional Chief Secretary to Government of Punjab, Department of Forests & Wild Life Preservation, Punjab and the Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab, Department of Finance, Punjab, to consider the claim of the petitioners for granting them the Grade Pay amounting to ₹4800/- per month as granted/allowed to the counterparts in the Agriculture Department as Technical Assistant instead of Grade Pay of ₹4200/- per month with effect from 01.12.2011.

2. On considering the submissions made by the counsel for the petitioners, who asserts that the matter is beyond the jurisdiction of the Pay Commission as constituted by the Government of Punjab, cannot be accepted in the light of the stand of the State, wherein it has been asserted that the matter is under consideration of the Pay Commission so constituted. In any case, the assertion of the counsel for the petitioners to direct the Commission to itself consider the claim of the petitioner, on whom a legal notice has been served by the petitioners, cannot be accepted as that would be beyond the jurisdiction of the Court to issue such a direction since the matter is pending consideration before the Commission and there is

nothing on the record indicating either any recommendation by the Commission or acceptance/non-acceptance of such recommendations by the Government of Punjab.

3. The writ petition, therefore, stands dismissed being premature.

January 6th, 2020
Puneet

(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:	Yes
Whether Reportable:	No