

HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

108 - CWP-2023-2021 (O&M)

Date of Decision: 29.01.2021

Prem Singh & Ors.

... Petitioners

VS.

State of Punjab & Ors.

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE GIRISH AGNIHOTRI

Present: Mr. RK Arya, Advocate for the petitioners

Ms. Sunint Kaur, AAG Punjab

GIRISH AGNIHOTRI, J. (Oral)

The matter has been taken up through video conferencing on account of restrictions due to outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic.

The petitioner Prem Singh and 4 others have filed the present writ petition *inter alia* with a prayer seeking a direction to the respondents to rectify the anomaly in the pay scale of the petitioners and to grant consequential benefits along with interest.

Learned counsel based upon the pleadings in the petition submits that the pay scales of all categories of employees have been enhanced but different pay scales were given to Restorers and Clerks which were equal since 1986 and as such the same has resulted into the case of anomaly. Learned counsel submits that for the same/similar grievance as made in the present writ petition, the petitioners have submitted a legal notice dated 24.09.2020 (P4). In the said legal notice, the petitioners have also placed reliance upon the judgment dated 16.01.2015 in **CWP No.488 of 2015 (Gurbir Singh & Ors. Vs. Punjab and Haryana High Court & Anr.)** (P5)

Notice of motion.

On the asking, Ms. Sunint Kaur, AAG Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the respondents.

Having heard learned counsel for the parties and without commenting upon the merits of the case, the writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the competent authority to decide the legal notice (P4) of the petitioners by passing a speaking order within 3 months from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this order.

Disposed of.

29.01.2021

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- 1. *Whether speaking/reasoned?*
- 2. *Whether reportable?*

(Girish Agnihotri)
Judge

Yes/No
Yes/No