

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

**CWP-4606-2021 (O&M)
Date of decision : 06.04.2021**

Hardeep Singh

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

State of Punjab and others

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ALKA SARIN

Present: Mr. Rishav Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.

ALKA SARIN, J. (ORAL)

Heard through video conferencing.

The present Civil Writ Petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of *mandamus* directing the respondents to grant promotion to the post of Assistant Revenue Clerk as per the Punjab Public Works Department (Irrigation Branch), Revenue Clerks, State Service, Class III Rules 1956, from amongst Canal Patwaris by preparing seniority list as per Statutory Recruitment Rules called Punjab Irrigation Department Canal Patwaris (Group-C) Service Rules, 2016.

Learned counsel for the petitioner would contend that a representation dated 22.10.2020 (Annexure P-3) in this regard, has been sent to respondent No.2, however, no action/decision has been taken qua the same. Learned counsel for the petitioner would further contend that he limits his prayer in the petition at this stage and that the petitioner would be

satisfied if a direction is issued to respondent No.2 to take a decision on the said representation dated 22.10.2020 (Annexure P-3), in accordance with law, in a time-bound manner.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court, Ms. Kanica Sachdeva, AAG, Punjab, who has joined the session through video conferencing, accepts notice on behalf of all the respondents-State.

Heard.

In view of the limited prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner, without commenting on the merits of the case or the claim made by the petitioner, the present civil writ petition is disposed off with a direction to respondent No.2 - Chief Engineer, Punjab Irrigation Department, Sector-18, Chandigarh - to take a decision on the representation dated 22.10.2020 (Annexure P-3) in accordance with law expeditiously and in any case within a period of three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

Disposed off accordingly.

06.04.2021
Yogesh Sharma

(ALKA SARIN)
JUDGE

NOTE: Whether speaking/non-speaking: Speaking
Whether reportable: YES/NO