

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

CWP-5427-2021

Date of Decision: 08.03.2021

Sushma Kumari

...Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab and others

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present : Mr. Inderjit Sharma, Advocate,
For the petitioner.

Ms. Maloo Chahal, DAG, Punjab.

(Presence marked through video conference)

ARUN MONGA, J. (ORAL)

Petitioner, *inter alia*, seeks issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to grant her benefit of revision of pay scales we.f. 01.11.1971 instead of 16.07.1975 and release the arrears of pay/pensionary benefits, revised pension along with interest etc.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner relies on judgments of this Court titled as “*Lekh Raj Khera and others Vs. State of Punjab and another*” decided on 24.03.2009 and “*Hans Raj and others versus State of Punjab and others*” decided on 28.11.2015. He contends that case of the petitioner is squarely covered by the judgments, *ibid*.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner submitted a representation dated 27.08.2020 but to no avail. Hence, the instant petition.

4. On a query of the Court, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner, at this stage would be satisfied if pending representation dated 27.08.2020 is decided either, way by passing appropriate administrative orders, so that at least the petitioner knows the reason of not being accorded

the similar benefits as has been given to other similarly situated employees, before taking further steps.

5. Notice of motion.

6. Ms. Maloo Chahal, DAG, Punjab who has joined proceedings on advance service, accepts notice on behalf of the respondent-State of Punjab.

7. Given the nature of order being passed, there is no necessity to seek return by any of the respondents, as no further proceedings and/or pleadings are required.

8. Without commenting on the merits of the case, the writ petition is disposed of with a direction to the competent authority to look into the grievance of the petitioner as per pending representation dated 27.08.2020 and also by keeping in view the contentions stated in the present petition by treating the same as supplementary representation and decide the same by passing a speaking order, in accordance with law.

9. Let the needful be done within a period of 03 months from today.

10. Disposed of accordingly.

March 08, 2021
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(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned: Yes/No

Whether reportable: Yes/No