

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

CWP No.6512 of 2021.
Date of Decision:-19.03.2021.

Jagjit Kumar and another

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA

Present: Mr. Raj Kumar Arya, Advocate for the petitioners.

MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA J. (Oral)

By way of the instant petition, both the petitioners seek indulgence of this Court for issuance of a writ in the nature of *mandamus* directing the respondents to pay them the salary in the higher pay scale of the post of Junior Engineer for the period during which they had worked on the said post and also to grant them all the consequential benefits flowing therefrom by revising their salaries and to pay the arrears thereof to them along-with interest thereon @ 12 % per annum from the date of accrual till the actual realization thereof, while averring that they had performed the duties on the post of Junior Engineer (Civil) during the period from 31.01.2013 to 25.01.2016 and are, therefore, entitled to the salary admissible for the said post and though they have already moved a representation dated 05.01.2020 (Annexure P-10) to the respondents in this regard but in vain.

Mr. Pawan Sharda, Senior Deputy Advocate General, Punjab,

has appeared in this case on behalf of all the respondents, in pursuance of the copies of this petition having been sent to the respondent-State in advance.

Heard.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners would be satisfied in case a direction is issued to respondent No.2 to consider and decide their said representation (Annexure P-10) within some specific time-frame.

Learned State counsel has no objection for the same.

Keeping in view the above-discussed limited prayer of learned counsel for the petitioners and without commenting upon the merits of the matter in hand, the instant writ petition is hereby disposed of with the direction to respondent No.2-Chief Engineer, Department of PWD (B&R) Punjab, to consider and decide the said representation of the petitioners (Annexure P-10) in accordance with law/relevant rules, by passing a speaking order thereon, within a period of two months from the date of receipt of the certified copy of this order.

This petition stands disposed of accordingly.

(MEENAKSHI I. MEHTA)
JUDGE

March 19, 2021.

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Whether speaking/reasoned:-

Yes / No

Whether Reportable:-

Yes / No.