

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

**CWP No.7315 of 2021 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 31.03.2021**

Kirpal Singh and others

.....Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA

Present:- Mr. Pawan Kumar Goklaney, Advocate for the petitioners.

TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA J.(Oral)

This case has been taken up through Video Conferencing via Webex facility in the light of Pandemic Covid-19 situation and as per instructions.

Petitioners herein have filed the instant writ petition seeking revised pay-scales as recommended by various pay commissions with regard to the skilled and semi skilled staff in the service of the Punjab Government in the light of judgment dated **26.04.2018 in CWP No.7001 of 2013 tilted as *Daljeet Singh and others Vs. State of Punjab and others (Annexure P-8).***

Counsel submits that even though the petitioners herein are employees of the Pepsu Road Transport Corporation yet as per dictum laid down by the Division Bench in ***Gujjar Singh and others Vs. Chairman, Pepsu Road Transport Corporation and another 2005 (4) SCT 67***, employees of PRTC are entitled to identical pay-scales as granted to their counter-parts serving under Punjab Roadways. It has further been asserted that the judgment in ***Daljeet Singh's case (supra)*** (Annexure P-8) has

already been implemented by the State Government.

Petitioners herein are seeking parity of treatment.

At this stage, counsel makes a submission that he would be satisfied if the writ petition were to be disposed of with a direction to the competent authority to examine the claim of the petitioners and to take a final decision thereupon within a stipulated time frame.

Submission advanced by counsel is found to be just and reasonable.

In view of the above and without even ascertaining the correctness of the averments made in the petition, I deem it appropriate to dispose of the writ petition with a direction to respondent No.2 to examine the claim of the petitioner against the backdrop of the legal notice dated 02.12.2020 (Annexure P-17) and to take a final decision thereupon within a period of three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

Disposed of.

(TEJINDER SINGH DHINDSA)
JUDGE

March 31, 2021

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Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No