

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP-8322-2021
Date of decision: 19.04.2021

Kiran Bala

.....Petitioner

versus

State of Punjab and others

....Respondents

CORAM: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Girish Agnihotri

Present: Mr. G.P. Vashisht, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Mr. Arun Kaundal, DAG, Punjab.

(the aforesaid presence is being recorded through video conferencing since the proceedings are being conducted in virtual court on account of restrictions due to COVID 19)

GIRISH AGNIHOTRI, J. (Oral)

Petitioner-Kiran Bala, stated to be aged 53 years, has filed the present petition *inter alia* with a prayer for issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus directing the respondents to release the arrears due after fixation of pay w.e.f. 01.04.2011 to 30.09.2020.

Learned counsel for the petitioner, based on the pleadings in the petition, submits that the petitioner had joined her services on 12.06.2009 as a Radiographer on contract basis. He further submits that services of the petitioner were regularised on 04.03.2013 w.e.f. 01.04.2011. It is then submitted that a writ petition (CWP-13820-2011) was decided on 13.03.2020 in the light of the judgment dated 11.09.2017, passed in CWP-

28332-2013. It is the submission of learned counsel for the petitioner that on 14.02.2020, annexed at Annexure P-1 (which was passed in compliance of directions given by this Court in CWP-28332-2013) a speaking order was passed. He submits that in pursuance to the said speaking order, the petitioner was entitled to various benefits.

Notice of motion.

On asking of the Court, Arun Kaundal, DAG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the State.

At this stage, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner had also served a legal notice dated 08.03.2021 (Annexure P-5). However, no decision has been taken by the Competent Authority on the said legal notice.

Without commenting upon merits of the case, this Court deems it appropriate to dispose of the present writ petition with a direction to the Authority concerned i.e. respondent No.4, to decide the legal notice dated 08.03.2021 (Annexure P-5) in accordance with law as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of two months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

Ordered accordingly.

(GIRISH AGNIHOTRI)
JUDGE

19.04.2021

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Whether speaking/ reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether Reportable:

Yes/No