

CWP-10181-2021

Date of decision: 28.06.2021

Baldev Singh Heir and others

.....Petitioners

versus

State of Punjab and others

.....Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE FATEH DEEP SINGH**Present:** Mr. Ashish Aggarwal, Advocate
for the petitioners.**FATEH DEEP SINGH, J. (ORAL)**

Due to outbreak of pandemic COVID-19, the instant case is being taken up for hearing through video conferencing.

The petitioners have invoked the jurisdiction of this Court in terms of Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India seeking prayer by way of writ of *mandamus* for issuance of directions to the respondents with regard to grant the benefit of payment of arrears of pay in the higher grade for a period upto three years and two months on account of acquiring higher education as per the order bearing No.12/18-19 E-5(1) dated 25.11.2019 (Annexure P-5) passed by respondent No.2 wherein similar situated applicants alike petitioners have been granted the aforesaid benefits.

Notice of motion to the official respondents.

Mr. Shireesh Gupta, Senior DAG, Punjab, puts in appearance and accepts notice on behalf of the respondents-State.

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Heard.

Upon hearing learned counsel of both the sides and on perusal of the records, the present petition stands disposed off with the directions to the official respondents to consider the legal notice as representation dated 15.09.2020 (Annexure P-6) moved by the petitioners and decide the same in accordance with law, by passing a speaking order preferably within a period of one month from the date of receipt of the certified copy of this order.

The petition stands disposed off accordingly.

28.06.2021

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**(FATEH DEEP SINGH)
JUDGE**

Whether speaking/reasoned : Yes/No

Whether reportable : Yes/No