

HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

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**CWP-13023-2021 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 19.07.2021**

HC/PR Partap Singh & Ors.

... Petitioners

VS.

State of Punjab & Ors.

... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR.JUSTICE GIRISH AGNIHOTRI

Present: Mr. J.S. Mohri, Advocate for the petitioners.

Mr. Ayush Sarna, Asst. A.G., Punjab.

GIRISH AGNIHOTRI, J. (Oral)

The matter has been taken up through video conferencing on account of restrictions due to outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic.

Petitioners-HC/PR Partap Singh and 15 others have jointly filed the present writ petition *inter alia* with the prayer for directing the respondents to count the daily wage service as Special Police Officer (SPO) service of the petitioners, rendered before their respective regularization as qualifying service for the purpose of pensionary/retiral benefits and to decide the legal notice dated 06.05.2021 (Annexure P-11), alongwith further relief as mentioned in the petition.

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners had made a request to the respondents, to count the daily wage service as Special Police Officer (SPO) service of the petitioners, rendered before their respective regularization as qualifying service for the purpose of pensionary/retiral benefits.

He further submits that for the same/similar grievance the petitioners had served a legal notice upon respondents on dated 06.05.2021 (Annexure P-11).

Notice of motion.

On asking of the Court, Mr. Ayush Sarna, Asst. A.G., Punjab accepts notice on behalf of the State.

In view of the above and without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2/Competent Authority, to consider the legal notice dated 06.05.2021 (Annexure P-11) in accordance with law, as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of **07 months** from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

Ordered accordingly.

19.07.2021
Shruti

(Girish Agnihotri)
Judge

1. *Whether speaking/reasoned?*

Yes/No

2. *Whether reportable?*

Yes/No