

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH

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CWP No.13133 of 2021
Date of decision: 20.07.2021

Kamaljeet Singh and Ors.

.....Petitioners

versus

State of Punjab and Ors.

....Respondents

CORAM: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Girish Agnihotri

Present: Mr. Nitesh Singla, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Ayush Sarna, Asst. AG, 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)

Petitioners – Kamaljeet Singh and 7 others have jointly filed the present writ petition *inter alia* with a prayer to direct the respondents department to step up the pay of the petitioners at par with respondent No.5/their junior, especially in view of speaking order dated 17.09.2020 (Annexure P-10) and also to decide the legal notice dated 12.05.2021 (Annexure P-8).

Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that the petitioners had made a request to the official respondents especially the Director General of Police, Punjab to step up the pay of the petitioners especially in view of the order dated 17.09.2020 passed by the Commandant 5th Battalion, Bathinda (which was an order in compliance of this Court's order dated

19.06.2020 in CWP No.8290 of 2020 'Sukhwinder Singh & Ors Vs. State of Punjab & Ors.').

In this regard, learned counsel submits that for the same/similar grievances petitioners have submitted a legal notice dated 12.05.2021 (Annexure P-8) which is yet to be decided.

At this stage, learned counsel makes a request that the petitioners would be satisfied if a direction is issued to the Competent Authority to decide the legal notice in a time bound manner.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of Court, Mr. Ayush Sarna, Asst. AG, Punjab, accepts notice on behalf of the official respondents-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 12.05.2021 (Annexure P-8), and decide the same in accordance with law, as expeditiously as possible, preferably within a period of 05 months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

Ordered accordingly.

(GIRISH AGNIHOTRI)
JUDGE

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Whether speaking/ reasoned:	Yes/No
Whether Reportable:	Yes/No