

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

CWP-3893-2021 (O&M)

Date of decision : 19.02.2021

Raminder Sidhu

... Petitioner(s)

Versus

The State of Punjab and others

... Respondent(s)

CORAM: HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ALKA SARIN

Present: Ms. Anupama Sharma, Advocate for the petitioner.

ALKA SARIN, J. (ORAL)

Heard through video conferencing.

Prayer in the present Civil Writ Petition under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India is for the issuance of a writ in the nature of *mandamus* directing the respondents to revise the Grade Pay of the petitioner from 10300-34800+3800 to 10300-34800+4200 with effect from 01.12.2011 as per the Punjab Government Notification dated 21.12.2011 (Annexure P-3) with all consequential benefits.

Learned counsel for the petitioner would contend that employees who had joined later than the petitioner on the same post are getting higher pay scale. She would further contend that in this regard a representation dated 18.02.2020 (Annexure P-6) has been sent to the Director, Directorate of Health and Family Welfare Punjab-respondent No.3. However, neither any order has been passed nor any action has been taken on the said representation. The counsel for the petitioner would further contend that she limits her prayer in the present petition and would be satisfied if a direction is issued to respondent No.3 to decide the representation dated 18.02.2020 (Annexure P-6) by passing a speaking order in a time-bound manner.

Notice of motion.

On the asking of the Court, Ms. Monica Chhibber Sharma, Sr. DAG, Punjab has put in appearance through video conferencing and accepts notice on behalf of the respondents.

Heard learned counsel for the parties.

In view of the limited prayer made by learned counsel for the petitioner, without commenting upon the merits of the case, the present writ petition is disposed off with a direction to respondent No.3 to decide the representation dated 18.02.2020 (Annexure P-6) in accordance with law by passing a speaking order as expeditiously as possible preferably within a period of three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

Disposed off.

19.02.2021
Yogesh Sharma

(ALKA SARIN)
JUDGE

NOTE: Whether speaking/non-speaking: Speaking
Whether reportable: YES/NO