

CWP-14604-2020

Date of decision : January 18, 2021

NACHATTAR KAUR

.....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

....Respondents

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Ms. Alisha Arora, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Abhay Pal Singh Gill, AAG, Punjab.

LISA GILL, J.

This matter is being taken up for hearing through video conferencing due to outbreak of the pandemic, COVID-19.

Petitioner seeks a direction to the respondents to consider her case for grant of pension and other pensionary benefits under the old Pension Scheme existing prior to 01.01.2004 in view of decision dated 31.08.2010 of this Court in CWP-2371-2010 titled as Harbans Lal versus State of Punjab and others attached as Annexure P7 with this petition. Further prayer is for release of salary to the petitioner from 01.04.2020 to 31.01.2021.

The petitioner claims to be eligible for pension under the old Pension Scheme but the respondents, it is stated, were not acceding to her request.

During pendency of this writ petition and in compliance of order dated 17.09.2020, order dated 15.01.2021 has been passed by the P.F.S. Divisional Forest Officer, SAS Nagar, Forest Division, SAS Nagar holding that the petitioner is entitled to pensionary benefits under the old Pension Scheme and her case is covered by the decision in **Harbans Lal's** case (supra). A photocopy of this order has been circulated on the Whatsapp group created for the purpose of video

conferencing today by learned counsel for the State. Print out of the same be taken and attached with this file.

In this view of the matter, present writ petition is rendered infructuous and is disposed of accordingly. Needless to say, petitioner is at liberty to pursue her claim regarding salary from 01.04.2020 to 31.01.2021 with the respondents i.e. the period for which extension in service is stated to be afforded to her. Pensionary benefits due to the petitioner be released within six weeks from receipt of certified copy of this order.

January 18, 2021
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(Lisa Gill)
Judge

Whether speaking/reasoned :	Yes/No
Whether reportable :	Yes/No