

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

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**IN VIRTUAL COURT**

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**CWP No. 16139 of 2021  
Decided on : 20.8.2021**

**Prithvi Singh Layal**

**.....Petitioner**

**Versus**

**State of Haryana and others**

**.....Respondents**

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJBIR SEHRAWAT**

Present: Mr. B.S. Rathee, Advocate, for the petitioner

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**Rajbir Sehrawat, J.(Oral)**

This petition has been filed under Articles 226/227 of the Constitution of India seeking issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus, directing the respondents to grant the benefit of stepping up of his pay at par with his juniors namely Devi Dayal Beniwal and Somesh Chander Aggarwal, who have been promoted as Assistant Director on 20.11.2006 and 14.9.2007 respectively; as per Rule 7 (Note-7) of HCS (Revised Pay) Rules, 2008 and fix his pay and pension. It is further prayed by the petitioner that the respondents be directed to release the arrears of his pay, pensionary benefits and pension with interest @ 12 % per annum from the date his pay is to be stepped up at par with his juniors.

At the outset, counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner would be satisfied if the respondents pass a speaking order on his representation dated 6.1.2021 (Annexure P-13) within a time frame.

Notice of motion.

Mr. Harish Rathee, DAG, Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of

respondents. Even counsel for the respondents is not averse to the expeditious disposal of the claim of the petitioner.

In view of the above, the present petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No.2 to decide the representation of the petitioner dated 6.1.2021 (Annexure P-13) and take a conscious decision thereon by passing a speaking order; within a period of 3 months from the date of receipt of the certified copy of this order.

It is further ordered that if the petitioner is found entitled to any pecuniary benefits upon such a conscious decision; then the said pecuniary benefits shall also be released to the petitioner within a further period of 3 months; from the date of such conscious decision of the authorities.

**(RAJBIR SEHRAWAT)**  
**JUDGE**

**20.8.2021**

*Ashwani*

Speaking/Non-speaking : Yes/No  
Reportable/Reasoned : Yes/No