

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

**CWP No.17946 of 2021 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 01.11.2021**

Gej and others

..... Petitioners

Versus

State of Punjab and others

..... Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU

Present:- Mr. Sukhwinder Singh Sudan, Advocate for the petitioners.

MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU, J.

Present writ petition has been filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India for issuance of a writ in the nature of *mandamus* directing the respondents to consider the petitioners to be in service prior to cut-off date so as to exclude them from the application of the amendment to the Punjab Civil Services Rules and the New Defined Contributory Pension Scheme. Further prayer is to allot the General Provident Fund (GPF) account numbers to the petitioners to make them eligible for the regular pension along with other retiral benefits.

At the outset, learned Counsel on instructions from the petitioners submits that instead of pressing the present petition on merits, his clients would be satisfied in case the Legal Notice dated 22.02.2020 (P-10), pending with the respondent(s), is considered and decided expeditiously.

Notice of motion to the aforesaid limited extent.

On asking of the Court, Ms. Akshita Chauhan, AAG, Punjab, who is present through Video-Conference, accepts notice on behalf of the respondents and on instructions from the quarter concerned submits that grievance of the petitioners shall be considered and decided within four weeks from today.

If that be so, let this writ petition is disposed off with direction to the competent authority to consider and decide the aforesaid Legal Notice 22.02.2020 (P-10) in accordance with law by passing speaking order preferably within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

It is made clear that in case there is non-compliance, the same shall be considered as disregard of the order of this Court.

November 1st, 2021
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(MAHABIR SINGH SINDHU)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>