

Sr. No.126

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

CWP No.18642-2021

Date of decision: 17.09.2021

Sunil Verma and others

...Petitioners

Vs.

State of Haryana and another

..Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ARUN MONGA

Present: Mr. Vikram Sheoran, Advocate,
for the petitioners.

Ms. Rajni Gupta, Additional A.G., Haryana.

ARUN MONGA, J. (ORAL)

Grievance of the petitioners, serving as Veterinary Livestock Development Assistant (VLDA) having joined their current place of posting recently, is against the order dated 16.08.2021 (Annexure P-18), whereby they have been directed to participate in the online transfer drive introduced by the State Government for carrying out general transfers.

Merely because the petitioners have been asked to participate in the online transfer drive is no ground for this Court to grant any indulgence. On the other hand, introducing online transfer drive is a laudable step to bring about better transparency in the administrative functioning.

Transfer being matter of administrative exigency, this Court generally refrains to interfere and treads cautiously. It is settled position that transfer is an integral part of the service conditions. Moreover, transfer is not a punishment but an essential aspect of service, particularly, on a transferable post.

No grounds are made out to interfere. Dismissed with costs.

At this stage learned counsel for the petitioner requests to take a lenient view and not impose costs. Request is accepted and in view thereof, no costs are being imposed. However, petitioners shall collectively plant 25 trees of deciduous and perennial in nature, of any variety viz. Neem, Amla, Gulmohar and/or Alstonia, in the vicinity where they have been transferred. Plantation shall be carried out under the supervision of the concerned District Horticulture Officer, who shall give a letter of proof of having carried out the plantation of the trees as per the orders of this Court.

In case, the petitioners default in doing so, liberty is granted to the Registry to place the matter before this Court to report non-compliance. Proof of plantation be also furnished by the petitioners in the Registry of this Court, along with supporting letter from horticulture department, to be placed before this Court.

17.09.2021

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(ARUN MONGA)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned:

Yes/No

Whether reportable:

Yes/No