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

CWP-18624-2021

Date of Decision: 13.10.2021

JALBIR SINGH

..... Petitioner(s)

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA AND OTHERS

..... Respondent(s)

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE LISA GILL

Present: Mr. Keshav Pratap Singh, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Kirti Singh, DAG, Haryana.

LISA GILL, J.

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

Prayer in this writ petition is for directing respondents to promote the petitioner to post of Principal w.e.f. 31.03.2017 in the light of the fact that juniors to the petitioner have been promoted from the said date.

Learned counsel for the petitioner refers to communication dated 03.09.2020 (Annexure P-7) by District Education Officer, Kurukshetra to the Director, Secondary Education Haryana, Panchkula, clearly recommending promotion of the petitioner to the post of Principal. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that no action whatsoever is being taken to promote the petitioner despite he being eligible for the same. Certain candidates junior to the petitioner have been promoted but petitioner has been ignored in an illegal and arbitrary manner. Representation dated 05.07.2021 (Annexure P-12) was submitted by the petitioner, but to no avail.

Notice of motion.

Ms. Kirti Singh, DAG, Haryana, accepts notice on behalf of all the respondents.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances but without any expression of opinion on the merits of the matter at this stage, competent authority is directed to decide representation dated 05.07.2021 (Annexure P-12), after affording opportunity of hearing to the petitioner, within two months from receipt of certified copy of this order. In case of an order adverse to the petitioner, same be by way of a speaking order.

Writ petition is accordingly disposed of.

13.10.2021

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(LISA GILL)
JUDGE

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